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Hit and run hospitalizes UVic student

by Darren Stewart

A hit and run accident on Ring Road last week has left a 22-year-old UVic student in stable condition at the Victoria General Hospital.

The woman was hit while crossing the street outside the Student Union Building at 2:15 a.m. on March 26.

Police are not releasing the name of the 21-year-old driver, who is also a UVic student. He left the scene and was arrested soon after the incident in the parking lot of the Engineering Lab Wing (ELW). According to Saanich Police, alcohol was a contributing factor and charges are pending.

The suspect could be charged with driving while impaired and causing injury, and failure to remain at the scene.

These charges carry a penalty of up to ten years. Should the victim die, penalties could be increased to 14 years.

Constable David Gantzer of the Saanich Police said there are several factors contributing to the potential charges.

"The penalties depend very much on the victim's injuries," he said. "We also have to do extensive accident reconstruction–linking the pieces together. Using the point of impact and the resting place of the victim, we can use a formula to discover the speed of the driver. We've just got to do the number crunching."

Gantzer confirmed that the victim travelled 46 feet from the point of impact before coming to rest a short distance away from the crosswalk outside the SUB.

After fleeing the scene, the driver left his car in the parking lot of the Engineering Lab Wing (ELW).

The UVic community is focussing on traffic problems on Ring Road after a pair of serious accidents last week caused injuries to four UVic students. Another UVic student is facing charges of driving while impaired and causing injury and leaving the scene of an accident. The university is hoping to have the speed limit on Ring Road reduced to 40 km/ hour.

Martlet photo illustration by Kevin Woodley

The car was discovered by UVic student Sudhakar Rao, who had been pulled over and questioned on his way to the University at 2:30 a.m. the same morning.

"After being questioned and then negatively [identified] by a cabby who'd seen the whole thing, I was let go," said Rao. "They told me what had happened and that they were looking for a blue [Honda] Civic.

"I was stopped three or four times on the way to school. I had to walk into the campus as Ring Road was blocked off," said Rao, who was planing to do some late-night school work at the 24-hour facility in the ELW.

"When I got to the ELW parking lot, there was a Civic sitting there," said Rao. "I crossed in front of it and noticed that the windshield was shattered and the hood was caved in. I ran to get Campus Security who were still in front of the SUB. When I got back the police were already there but the car had moved to another lot. The guy was just getting out of his car when the police grabbed him. I knew it was him because his first words were 'The gig is up. You've got me.' Then the police read him his rights."

The incident happened just nine hours after another serious traffic accident on the UVic campus.

On March 25 at 5:30 p.m. a motorcycle struck the driver-side door of a car as it pulled onto McGill road from the Centennial Stadium parking lot.

The driver and passenger of the car, as well as the driver of the motorcycle, were taken to VGH with serious but not life threatening injuries. All three involved are 21-year-old male students of UVic.

UVic wants lower speed limit on Ring Road

by Darren Stewart

An increase in campus traffic accidents over the last few years has prompted the university to push for a lower speed limit on Ring Road.

Currently the speed limit on Ring Road is 50 kph, but UVic wants that limit lowered to 40 kpm. UVic recently brought its concerns to representatives of the Oak Bay and Saanich municipalities and their police and engineering departments.

"The proposal has been in the works for some time," said Bruce Kilpatrick, director of UVic's Public Relations and Information Services. "It wasn't sparked by last week's tragedies. The proposal was sparked by safety concerns and interests in slowing traffic down."

So far in the 1997-98 academic year, there have been six traffic accidents involving injuries reported to Campus Security (including incidents on Ring Road, UVic parking lots, and the streets surrounding the campus). That's up from four last year and five two years ago. There has only been one fatality on or near campus. In 1996 an elderly male pedestrian was killed while crossing the street at the Henderson and Cedar Hill intersection.

Larry Crawford, from the Municipality of Saanich, said lowering the speed limit on campus isn't easy.

"It's not like we can just post the signs, we have to change the by-law. If it doesn't receive any objection after three readings, then the by-law becomes enacted and made law," said Crawford.

"It's actually quite complicated because the University is on private property and it's halfway between the Saanich and Oak Bay Municipalities. From the point of view of Saanich, we have to report to our administrative traffic committee who will likely endorse the speed limit," added Crawford.

Both Saanich and Oak Bay municipalities expect the new speed limits to be in effect by next September.

This year Campus Security ran periodic speed meter checks around Ring Road as a deterrent to speeders. Though Campus Security unable to enforce the speed regulations, Hunter McDonald, director of Campus Security says he supports lowering the speed limit to increase safety standards.

"We'll be prepared to support any safety recommendation consistent with modern traffic engineering standards and with the laws in the Motor Vehicle Act," said McDonald.

Dick Chappell, manager of Facilities Management's Support Services said his department has more ideas that would help to reduce speed.

"We've talked to Oak Bay (Municipality) about traffic calming devices. Speed bumps are the obvious one, but [BC Transit] people don't want them. And traffic regulations don't allow lights other than at controlled intersections," he said.

Chappell said Facilities Management and Transportation and Parking Co-ordinator, Gordon Dash are investigating the possibility of installing rumble strips on Ring Road to slow down traffic.

Answering the Big (E) question in UVic Athletics

For the past two weeks, it has been the most asked question in university athletics–will UVic basketball star Eric Hinrichsen return for a fith year of eligibility? We have the answer before *anyone* on **PAGE 15.**

New budget gives a little to education

by Craig Saunders and Jamie Woods

VICTORIA (CUP)—Thanks to accounting changes and an inflationary increase, B.C.'s budget gives a little more to universities, colleges and students.

While the overall budget for the Ministry of Advanced Education, Training and Technology increased by 0.7 per cent—approximately the projected rate of inflation—a shuffling of figures allows for a total of $40 million in new funding for schools and student financial aid.

Advanced Education Minister Andrew Petter already announced these funding increases in a series of public appearances following his appointment in February. The announcements included a total of $26 million to colleges and universities to offset inflation and create 2,900 new seats, and $14 million more for student loans.

"I feel very positive," Petter said. "[While] we have cut substantially in other areas, we have increased [funding] in health, education and social spending.

"University spending will go up more than it has in the last two years," he said. "There are no miracles in this, it's just a matter of priorities."

Petter's positive outlook is shared by the province's largest student group, the Canadian Federation of Students, who are riding high after students won a tuition fee freeze in March.

"[The freeze] sends a message to institutions that tuition fee increases are not an ongoing source of revenue," Maura Parte, provincial chair for the federation, said.

"From the perspective of our sector, it's hard not to be complimentary to the government for what it's done," Keith Reynolds, spokesperson for the College and Institute Educators' Association, said.

"There's always more that could be done, but compared to what's happened everywhere else in the country, B.C.'s done an astonishing job."

Reynolds' group represents the province's 22 colleges and university-colleges. Those institutions will receive funding to create 2,050 of the 2,900 new post-secondary seats for students that the province has promised to create. The remaining 850 will be created at the province's six universities.

Of the $26 million in new operating funds, $17.5 million will cover the new seats. Of the remaining $8.5 million, $3.8 million will go to the new Technical University of B.C., and $4 million will go to existing schools to help offset inflation and make up for revenue that could have been obtained through a tuition fee hike.

According to Gerry Della Mattia, spokesperson for the Advanced Education Council of B.C., this is particularly good news for the colleges.

"We're funded per FTE [full-time equivalent student]," he said, noting that gaining 2,050 seats will help the schools substantially. "It will be an infusion of new money. We have been held at constant dollars the last few years, and have had to eat inflation."

The ministry's budget includes a cut of almost $34 million in debt owing on capital expenditures. When the government authorizes a new building at a school, it loans the money required for payments to the school. As a result, each institution carries a deficit.

Because the government is centralizing those debts and amortizing them over the lives of the buildings, it allows for a substantial annual savings.

Overall, the government is budgeting a $95 million deficit, despite a promise last year to balance the budget.

The decreased deficit comes from a budget with no clear winners. Agriculture and Food will see a 23 per cent increase in their budget, but most of that money is earmarked for poor crop performance. Corky Evans' Fisheries ministry is probably the biggest winner, with its 19.9 per cent increase.

Hardest hit are resource and environment departments which, with the exception of Agriculture and Fisheries, all saw cuts ranging from three to 20 per cent.

Winners and losers in the B.C. budget

Increased Funding

Agriculture and Food: **+23%**
Fisheries: **+19.9%**
Office of the Child, Youth and Family Advocate: **+9.1%**
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Information and Privacy Commissioner: **+4.2%**

Decreased Funding

Energy and Mines: **-20.0%**
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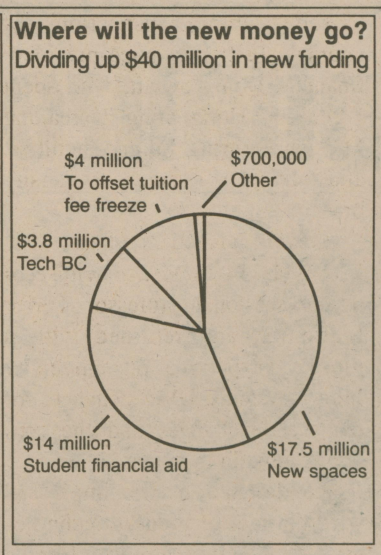

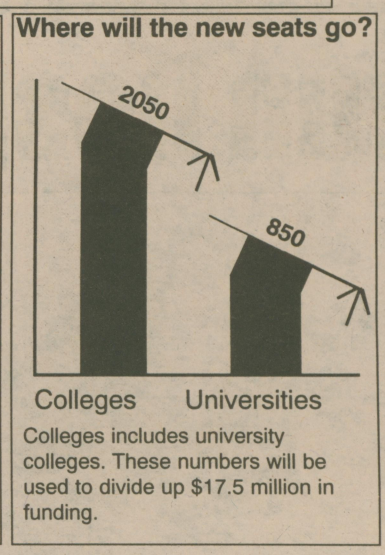
Where will the new seats go?
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Universities
Colleges includes university colleges. These numbers will be used to divide up $17.5 million in funding.

Graphics by Craig Saunders

Police ready roadblocks

by Darren Stewart

The Oak Bay and Saanich Police try to maintain a presence on campus in the interest of reducing traffic accidents and catching drunk drivers.

According to Constable Burt Vermeer of the Oak Bay police, the number of campus roadblocks have remained consistent over the past few years.

"We do two to five per week (in the Oak Bay municipality) and I would hazard a guess at twenty road blocks per year in the university area," said Vermeer. The university area includes ring road, it's tributaries, and the roads surrounding the campus.

Roadblocks are funded through Insurance Corporation of British Columbia's (ICBC) enhanced counterattack program. It's up to ICBC to decide how many take place, but they plan to expand the program in conjunction with police departments.

"We're going to expand to do some in the middle of the day, and to coordinate roadblocks with other municipalities," said Vermeer.

Although the locations of the roadblocks are chosen at random, Vermeer said busy bar nights are often targeted by police.

"We focus on weekends, but it's completely random and spur of the moment. We know that the SUB is in full tilt boogie on Thursday and we set up on Ring Road and on our side of the university. Saanich usually sets one up on their side of the university," said Vermeer.

Ken Marrison, Assistant Director of Campus Security Services, said he isn't sure how often police are on campus doing roadblocks, but he would support an increase of police presence.

"I don't want to tell police how to do their job, but with two serious accidents within a 12 hour period, I'm sure they're concerned," he said.

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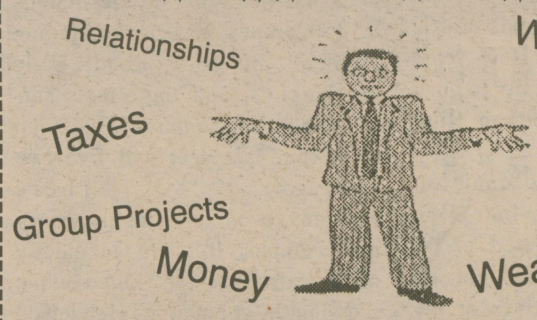

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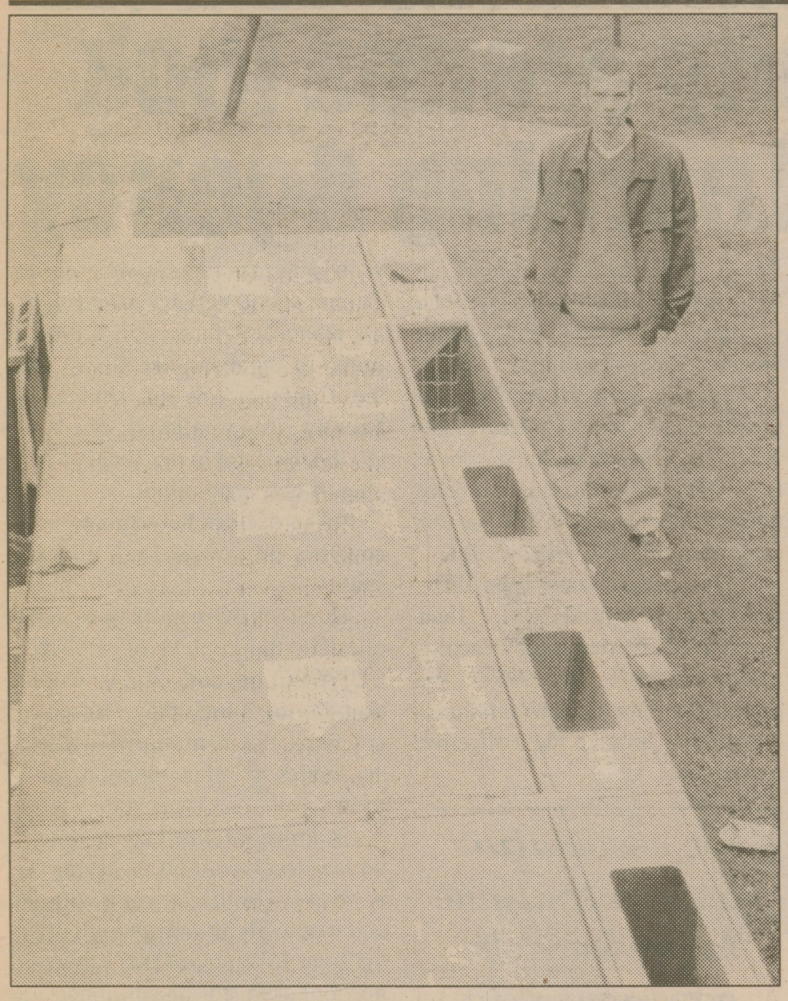

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UVic waste reduction coordinator Clint Abbott stands beside overturned recycling bins behind the Lansdowne residence complex. Abbott is unimpressed by recent vandalism on campus focussed on recycling containers.

Rez recycling bins take a beating

by Anders Knudsen

Students seem to have resorted to playing with garbage to amuse themselves, and it doesn't make Clint Abbott's job any easier.

Abbott, an Environmental Studies student and coordinator for UVic's waste reduction program, arrived at UVic Monday, Mar. 30, to find the recycling container behind the Lansdowne residence complex knocked over. The six bins inside had been dragged to all corners of the campus.

"This is the worst we've seen in a long time," said Abbott. "Every year around this time it gets a little worse, because it's the end of the year for students."

One bin full of paper found it's way into the Petch fountain, which had to be drained Monday morning. Another two were found nearby. The remaining three have yet to be found, Abbott said.

The situation is worse, said Abbott, because starting on May 1, the Capital Regional District will be charging $100 for every load of paper that ends up at the landfill.

"A whole load had to be taken to the landfill for what these students did," Abbott said.

Now, there's not much UVic can do, said Abbott, other than educating people about the importance of recycling.

"It's not the person that does it, it's the attitude," said Abbott. "Recycling is...a little step for people, a small contribution that's not hard to make. It should be something people naturally do."

Administrator goes Pacific

by Mary Vallis

What's the purpose of a tour of Asian universities, courtesy of the University of Victoria?

Why, library inspections of course. Just ask vice-president financial Don Rowlatt, who spent 18 days in Hong Kong, Korea and Malaysia touring library facilities, and talking to overseas university brass.

Rowlatt visited southeast Asia from Feb. 14 to Mar. 4 with economic sessional professor Trevor Matthews, and returned with a global perspective on university library systems, UVic's chances for overseas exchanges and the economic situatin in Korea.

Rowlatt said he was impressed with the mix of modern technology and traditional library resources at the Hong Kong University of Science and Technology.

This summer, UVic's McPherson Library is scheduled to undergo the first phase of a three-year expansion, and many of Rowlatt's observations are expected to play a role in the future of UVic's own libraries.

Rowlatt shared his findings with UVic's Senate Committee on Libraries shortly after his return to campus.

Librarian Marnie Swanson said the committee received Rowlatt's input positively.

"A major part of our plan is to improve our group study space," said Swanson. "He [Rowlatt] has been very supportive."

But library tours were not the only item on Rowlatt and Matthews' itinerary.

During their week-long visit to Malaysia, Rowlatt also visited with the vice chancellors of two universities and one rapidly expanding private college to research new international partnerships and university "twinning" opportunities,

Reflecting on his trip, Rowlatt said UVic should pursue partnerships with established facilities, where many upper-level courses are offered in English, making the transition to life in Asia easier for UVic students and staff.

"Clearly we have to be working with some of these other countries," said Rowlatt. "We have to be prudent about picking our places."

Rowlatt said that 50,000 Malaysian students are currently studying outside their home country, which highlights the possibility of attracting Malaysian scholars to UVic.

The trip also included a visit to Po Leung Kuk Vicwood KT Chong Six Form College in Hong Kong, where 21 students are enrolled in a first-year twinning program with plans to transfer to UVic.

The ambassadors also visited the site of UVic's first on-site international language centre, Hanyang University in Seoul, Korea, which opened last spring. Rowlatt said the visit helped him to understand how UVic can sustain its overseas programs in the face of economic meltdown, given the recent financial crisis in the country.

Blue bikes coming to campus

by Kirsten Rodenhizer

A local non-profit society wants students to get to their classes on time.

The Free Wheel Blue Bike Society is hopes to recruit a few UVic students to build blue bikes for the university campus.

Blue bikes are bicycles available for public use, which have been stripped down to one gear and painted blue. Anyone who needs quick transportation can jump on a blue bike and ride.

Melanie Ransom, vice president of the Free Wheel Blue Bike Society, said blue bikes would make campus transportation more convenient.

"If you're late for class, and there's a blue bike there, you can just grab it and scoot to class," said Ransom. "It's just an easier way to get around campus."

The society has "released" a few blue bikes on the UVic campus in the past, but often the bikes don't stay long, said Ransom.

"They disappear pretty quickly because people take them and use them to go somewhere," said Ransom.

But there's nothing wrong with that. Ransom said all students and citizens are welcome to use blue bikes, as long as they don't lock them up or store them.

"If you see a blue bike, make sure the brakes are working and there's air in the tires and then jump on and go for a ride," she said. "We call it 'instant enlightenment' because you get on one of these bikes and you feel like a kid."

Ransom estimates the Free Wheel Blue Bike Society has released 150 bikes in the Victoria area since its incorporation a year-and-a-half ago. The society gets bicycles from individual donors and cycle shops.

"We have more bikes than we can currently deal with," said Ransom. What the society needs now, she added, is people with some mechanical know-how to strip, repair and paint the bikes it already has.

The Free Wheel Blue Bike Society will be collecting names for the UVic blue bike construction workshop at its table during Earthfest, on the last day of classes. It will also release two blue bikes on campus that day.

All the blue bikes constructed at the UVic workshop will be released at UVic.

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The M Files

The truth is in here

The Martlet *celebrated its 50th year of publication in 1997. During the year, we commemorated the event with a weekly history column. For this issue, writer Melissa Balaam looks at the history of Martlet spoof issues.*

by Melissa Balaam

"I am the Lizard King!"

This headline caught my attention when I was skimming through some old issues of *the Martlet* a couple weeks ago. The quote was from the front page of an issue in 1989, which stated Jim Morrison was alive and working at UVic under the name Dave Clode. I was confused. I thought Jim had died.

After others had a laugh at my expense, they told me the article was part of a spoof issue from that year. I had no idea what a spoof was, so I embarked on a quest to find out more about the so-called 'spoof issues.'

I talked to four past *Martlet* editors about why they thought 'spoofs' started and when the first spoof issue came out.

None of them knew when it started, but Lisa Langford said she thought it began some time in the late 70s. Langford said the spoofs were a great "attention getter" and usually the "only time you [had] control over what you were doing." It seemed spoofs were a tradition no one had really questioned.

Spoofs make fun of something or someone. They turn up at the end of the school year, each with a different theme stated in the title. For example, in 1977, the spoof issue was entitled *Mundane* and made fun of *Monday Magazine*, which was new to Victoria.

"Ask any Victorian if there's anything to do in town and you probably won't get an answer," proclaimed one article.

Since then, it has been up to *Martlet* staff whether or not they want to do a spoof issue.

In 1982 the *Martlet* did a spoof issue called *Fartlet*. The front-page headline read: "Moonies invades Campus." The related photo depicted twelve bare asses in full moon.

The owners of the asses were none other than *Martlet* Staffers who reportedly went around campus "with their asses hanging out, trying to peddle their left-wing propaganda."

A year later the *Martlet* did a spoof on communism, and called the issue *Marxlet*.

Other spoof names in recent years have included: *Smartlet, Lark, The Omlet, Sesame Street* and *The Arena*. Each plays on the inside jokes of the year, but is still funny to the student of today.

To be honest, I knew the Jim Morrison story was bogus, but it still made me wonder, "Is a spoof really a spoof, if its saying something that could very well be true?"

B.C. faculty groups look to Open Learning Agency

by Craig Saunders

Establishing collegial governance at British Columbia's Open Learning Agency could prove to be a challenge for the province's faculty associations.

Provincial faculty groups are riding high after successful negotiations with administrators at the soon-to-open Technical University of British Columbia. In those negotiations, the faculty groups obtained concessions with respect to the lack of a traditional tenure system and an academic senate at the university.

The groups are now looking at B.C.'s Open Learning Agency (OLA), as well as the Royal Roads University. They want to get something resembling an academic senate established at the institutions, as well as regulations to preserve academic freedom and tenure systems.

"We have been concerned about academic governance at OLA," Ed Lavalle, head of the College Institute Educators' Association, the faculty union for B.C.'s 22 colleges, said. He added the existing structure does not meet standards set out by the province for either a college or a university.

The association plans to continue to pressure the government to change the college's administrative structure, but has not made any firm plans for action at the institution itself.

But if past experience is any indication, faculty groups could face a tough challenge at OLA. In June, Jaap Tuinman takes over the position of president at the young distance education school.

Tuinman is currently a vice president at Memorial University in St. John's, Newfoundland, where he is known for having a rocky relationship with both the faculty association and the university senate.

"The relations have been difficult, to pick a mild word," John Bear, head of Memorial's faculty association, said. "In 1995-96 we had an extremely confrontational negotiation around the collective agreement."

The association plans to continue to pressure the government to change the college's administrative structure.

Tuinman agrees that relations between the two sides are rocky.

"The relationship between the faculty association and the university has been strained," he said. "The faculty association is a fairly young association, and the collective agreement environment is still new to both parties, and there have been some growing pains."

In another recent dispute at Memorial, Tuinman accused the university's senate of incompetence, but later said his choice of words was unfortunate.

"He has, on occasion, exploded at the senate," Bear said.

According to Bear, the experiences at Memorial indicate that Tuinman may not be favorably disposed towards the demands of groups including the college teachers' association and the Canadian Association of University Teachers (CAUT).

Lavalle says his organization will present their concerns to Tuinman, and will act according to his response. He says they would prefer to negotiate, like CAUT and the Confederation of University Faculty Associations of B.C. (CUFA/BC) did in the TechBC dispute, if that is an option.

"If he decides he wants to be a cowboy, then we'll see," Lavalle said.

The TechBC negotiations took place in the context of a CAUT CUFA/BC boycott of the institution, during which they refused to recognize the institution and asked academics to refuse appointments to it.

Tuinman declined to comment on the structure of OLA, saying he is not yet familiar enough with it, and would prefer to wait until after his June 15 appointment. But he is not opposed to discussions, he says, and has already met with some faculty members at the institution.

"I'm open to discussion on anything," Tuinman said. "Always have been, always will be."

"We hope he sees the wisdom of working together in this province," Robert Clift, head of CUFA/BC, which represents the province's faculty associations, said. "As we showed with TechBC, there are ways to be the innovative institution with these academic [standards] coexisting."

Provincial faculty groups indicate they are willing to discuss alternatives at both OLA and Royal Roads.

Tuinman says he accepted the position at OLA because he has a long history of working on open learning projects, wants to see improved access to post-secondary education, and likes the newness and growth potential of the institution.

"I've written and spoken about the fact that I feel traditional universities do not respond well to changing needs," he said. "Open education is not always well understood in traditional universities."

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On The Spot

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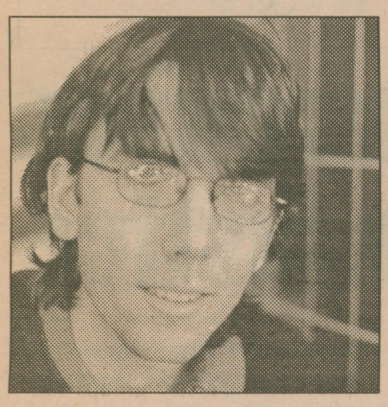
"Not so much the speed limit, but maybe better lighting. And drivers need to be more patient. Wait, is it 50? Then yeah, definitely lower it."
-Michelle Hoar 4th year

Drivers don't seem to care about the speed limit here. Everybodys got to be more careful.
-Cassandra Savage 4th year



"Is it [the speed limit] enforced? I've never seen a cop on ring road."
-Darren Bifford 2nd year

Question: Should the speed limit be lowered on Ring Road?

"I think they should install speed bumps."
-Cameron S. 4th year

"Yeah, why not? Ring Road's not really that long. It's not like it would take that long to get around it if you were going 20 (kph)."
-Jen McNeely 4th year

Teaching Assistants unionize–at last

by Mary Vallis

The decision is in—UVic TAs have been issued to certify with the Canadian Union of Public Employees [CUPE] by the BC Labour Relations Board.

The board made its decision late Tuesday, March 31. Simon Holgate, who was on the drive's organizing committee, said the hearing was uncontested by the university and only took about 20 minutes.

Anita Zaekener, UVSS director of academics, said 61 per cent of eligible employees signed cards in favour of certification—a figure well above the 55 per cent number of signatures required by the labour relations board.

"We [the university] welcome the certification of CUPE 4163"

The university didn't oppose the union on any legal grounds.

The next step for the group is to enter into bargaining with the university. No date has been set for the first meeting, but UVic has already established a bargaining committee to represent UVic during the collective bargaining process. The students, however, have not yet elected a committee; Holgate said the committee and its goals will be composed through a democratic process in the coming weeks.

At the point of certification, CUPE local 4163 had a membership of approximately 730 students, though that number is changing almost daily, said Phil Reusing of UVic's human resources branch. About 25 per cent of membership is constituted by undergraduate students who work under UVic's policy 1420 as specialist/instructionals.

Though Holgate appeared confident about the certification of UVic's TAs during the 90-day signing drive, which ended last week, he said that the drive for certification was not as cut-and-dry as it may have seemed on the surface.

"We were a bit cagey [during the drive]," said Holgate. Though employees signed union cards steadily throughout the drive's duration, Holgate said numbers weren't high enough to guarantee a certification for the group.

Reusing said he wasn't surprised that the TAs were certified. "We [the university] welcome the certification of CUPE 4163," he said. "We anticipate a cordial and professional relationship with them [the union]."

To be certified by the labour board, the drive needed to collect signatures from 55 per cent of the eligible employees under policy 1420.

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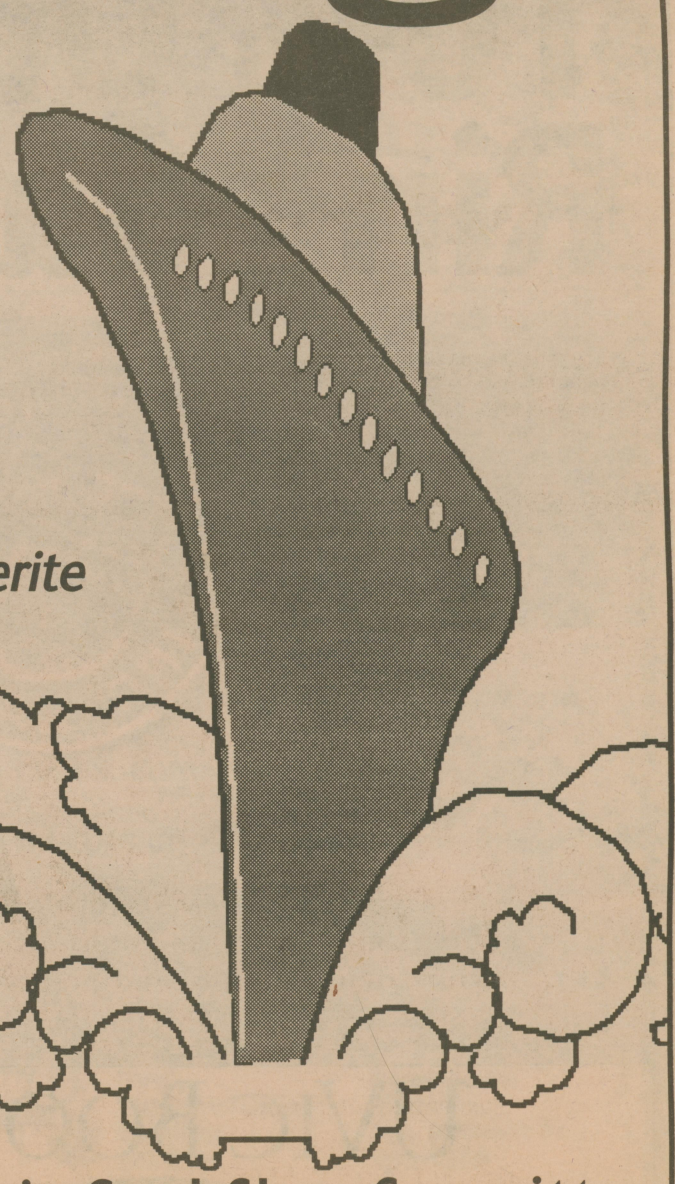

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Fraser Institute director joins University of Toronto

By Carl Warren

TORONTO (CUP)–The promotion of a Fraser Institute director to the University of Toronto's highest post has prompted demands from students and faculty that university president Robert Prichard take a long hard look at U of T's corporate course.

The e-mails in Canada's academic and activist circles began flying after the recent announcement that Tony Comper,chair of Uof T's Governing Council, the university's highest decision-making body, will be replaced by vice-chair Wendy Cecil-Cockwell on July 1. Comper, who doubles as the president of the Bank of Montreal, will depart after having completed the maximum three year term.

Comper's legacy as chair was marred by those who said his term showed that U of T's policy pushers are enmeshed with big business interests. But Cecil-Cockwell, who is the president of financial analyst outfit Brookmor Enterprises Limited in addition to her Fraser duties, says she's ready to rumble, if need be.

"I'm a big girl. I'm prepared to be attacked on these grounds," said Cecil-Cockwell, whose husband brought home a total compensation of over $1.3 million last year as head of the multi-billion dollar EdperBrascan operation.

Although a busy volunteer, she has nonetheless cleared much of her agenda for the new job at U of T.

But an assortment of academics and student leaders are flabbergasted that she will retain her position as a director of the Fraser Institute, a Vancouver-based conservative think-tank whose policies calling for the wholesale privatization of public institutions are well known.

"Her position [at the Institute] is completely incongruent," U of T sociology professor David Coburn said. "I don't see how she can hold a position at the university and adhere to the principles of an organization which are antithetical to a public institution."

Despite calls from some in the U of T community that she step down from her Fraser post, Cecil-Cockwell says there's no reason why she should–given that she does not support all their political aims. Rather, what appeals to her is the think-tank's intellectual spunk.

"I don't spend my life working for the Fraser Institute," she said. "I like some of their work because it's very provocative. But I have no intent on lobbying for them–that's not where I see my talents being used."

Cecil-Cockwell's interest in the 24-year-old think-tank was sparked by an acquaintance with Fraser pioneer and current executive director Michael Walker.

Throughout his career, Walker has unapologetically called for the complete public divestment of post-secondary education.

News of Cecil-Cockwell's promotion raised eyebrows among those who live in the same province as the Institute.

Victoria social policy expert and former U of T graduate student David Hay, who participated in a provincial election debate about social issues co-hosted by the Institute, says there's no such thing as an arm-chair allegiance to the institute.

He added that the Institute consistently, and sloppily, turns to the market as a panacea for society's ills.

"They set themselves up to have one answer all the time. You can blow a hole through their research. It tends to be spotty, biased in a way that supports market solutions to everything," he said.

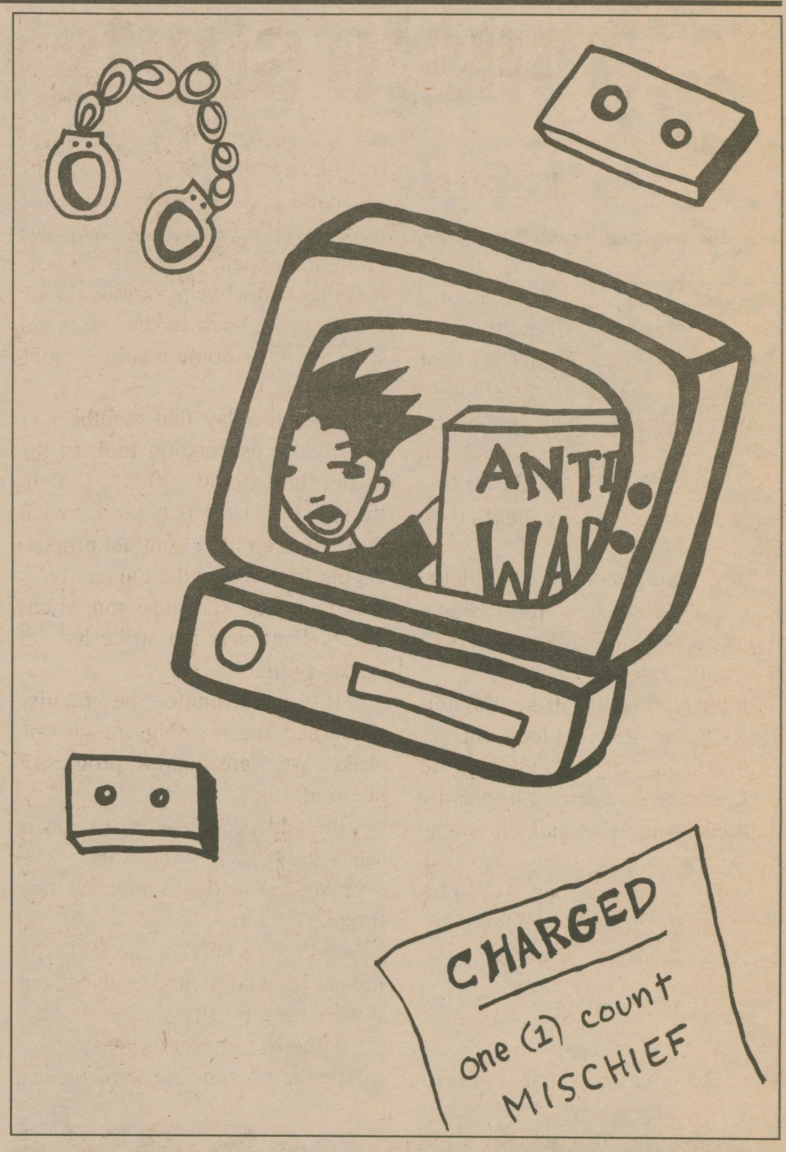
In the midst of concerns over the propriety of Cecil-Cockwell's extracurricular involvement, U of T president Robert Prichard doubts Cecil-Cockwell could ever be cast in a negative light.

"In the years I've known Wendy, I've never heard a single criticism of her performance," Prichard said. "Literally, I've never heard a single criticism. Every constituency has praised her performance. I'd be willing to make a personal bet that you can't find anyone. And if I'm wrong, I'll owe you five cents."

Besides, Prichard says, other high ranking U of T officials are also Fraser Institute directors and that doesn't interfere with jobs well done.

"Dean [Arnold] Aberman [of the faculty of medicine] is a trustee of the Fraser Institute but when his colleagues are asked to judge his performance, his colleagues would judge it to be excellent, regardless of their views of the Fraser Institute, pro or con.

"I assume the same will be true for Ms. Cecil-Cockwell."



Student accuses cops of injustice

by Alex Bustos

VANCOUVER (CUP)—A University of British Columbia student charged with one count of mischief has accused the Vancouver Police Department of waging a war against social activists.

Jesse Scott, a 19-year-old philosophy major, was arrested March 22 for allegedly scrawling a Royal Bank window with glass chalk during a rally in late January protesting student debt.

The arrest, which took place seven weeks after the January protest, was made at a Vancouver Canadian military drill hall just prior to an anti-war rally.

Scott says he believes the real purpose of the arrest was to scare off the anti-war protestors.

"My arrest was an act of intimidation," he said.

"It's scary when [the police] have information on you and can use it when they want.... It seems like a war on activists."

But according to Anne Drennan, spokesperson for the Vancouver Police Department, Scott's arrest was due to chance rather than an orchestrated police campaign.

On Jan. 28, Scott was one of 1,500 protesters in downtown Vancouver who participated in the National Day of Action against student debt.

"We had an officer videotaping the demo," Drennan said, "which is standard in these demonstrations."

The videotape, she says, captured several protesters perpetrating acts of "vandalism."

Seven weeks later, the officer who filmed the Day of Action protest spotted Scott at the drill hall and, after recognizing him as one of the protestors on the videotape, arrested him.

When asked why Scott wasn't arrested earlier, Drennan replied, "There was no opportunity. There were over 1,000 people [at the January rally]. The officer couldn't get a chance to arrest him."

This explanation doesn't satisfy Milton Smith, the lawyer representing Scott.

Smith says the police know full well the mischief charge will probably be thrown out of court.

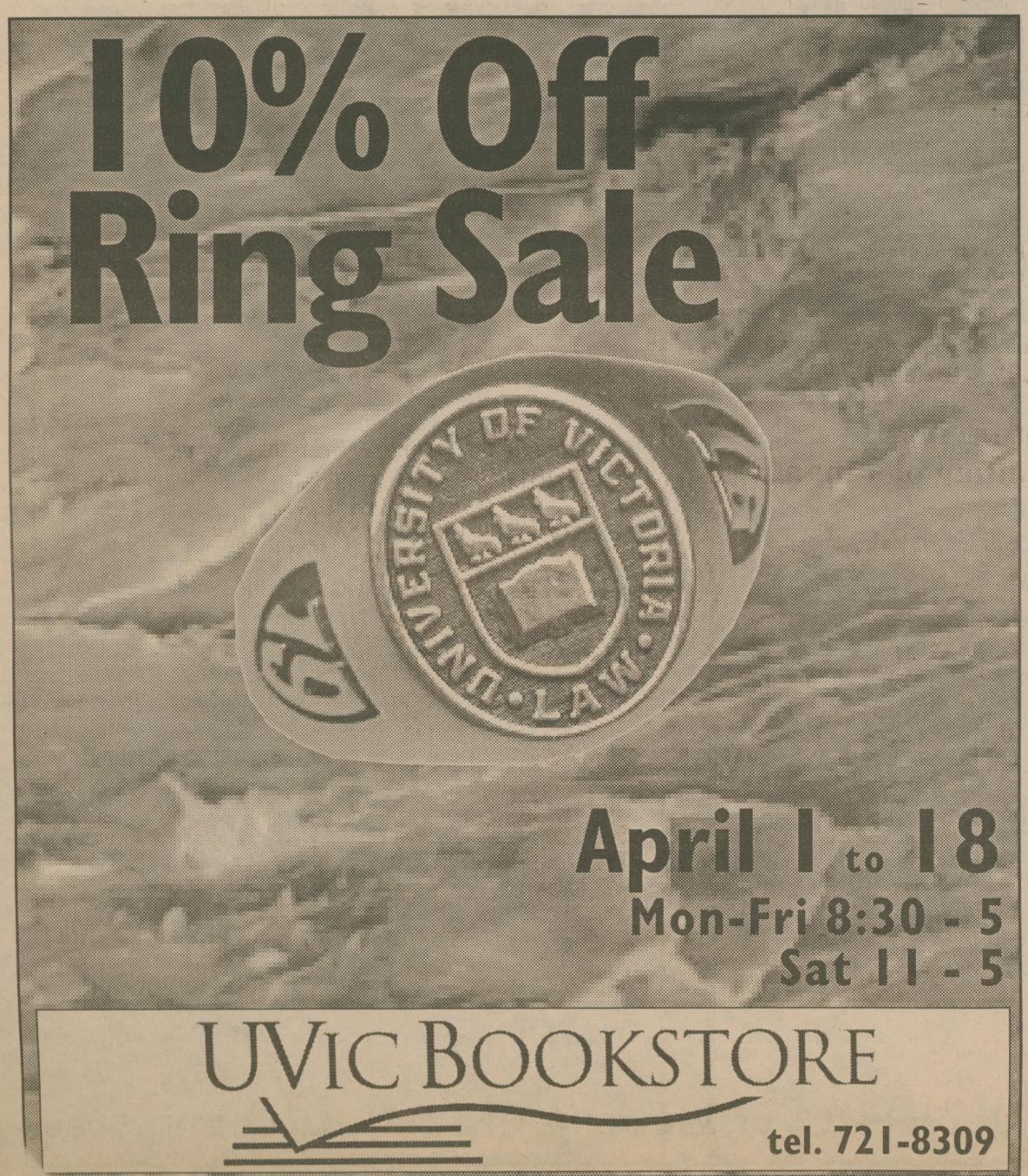
The purpose of the arrest, he continues, was not to win in court, but rather to scare off potential protestors.

"It's a way of subverting the justice system," he said.

"[The police] use their powers to punish someone without going to trial for exercising their right to exercise freedom of speech."

Smith says he is also concerned with police filming protesters at rallies like the one last January.

"It's incredible that our tax dollars are being used to survey groups engaged in perfectly legal activities," he said.



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Dalhousie shuts down as profs go on strike

by Kaveri Gupta and Shelley Robinson

HALIFAX (CUP)—Dalhousie University professors hit the picket lines this week and no one knows how long they're staying out.

Despite a 24-hour marathon of last-minute negotiations, faculty and administration were unable to resolves their differences and the profs walked out March 25, the first day they were legally entitled to strike.

They are joined on the picket lines by Dalhousie's professional librarians, who are also members of the faculty association.

In the face of the strike, the university has instituted a lock-out.

Professors are not allowed to teach classes or use any university facilities. And while all classes at the university have been cancelled, the libraries remain open, as do student services including the computer centre, food service and the residences.

Michael Cross, chief negotiator for the faculty association, says while the strike may not be pleasant, it is probably necessary to spur fruitful negotiations.

"I'm not at all sure the board [of governors] believed [a strike] was going to happen," he said. "So now that they know we're serious I hope they'll come back to the table and we can have some really serious discussions."

The same day that members of the faculty association took to the picket lines, about 200 also took to the streets of Halifax to protest what they say are unfair contract proposals put forward by the university.

University spokesperson Michelle Gallant says the strike has set back negotiations.

"It's unfortunate the faculty adjourned the meetings to go one strike. We were making progress," she said.

She added the administration is ready to go back to the table.

"We are ready to meet at any time," she said.

The issues still on the table are increased salaries and replacement of departing faculty.

Dalhousie professors say their salaries lag behind those of faculty at comparably-sized institutions and are concerned by the fact that over the last 10 years, the university has not filled 113 vacated faculty positions.

> *"There are only a couple of weeks left in the term and people are going to graduate. We have to do something fast."*

The administration's original offer of a 9.5 per cent salary hike and no guarantee to replace departing professors was rejected by a faculty membership vote.

The faculty association put forward two counter proposals. The first called for a 13 per cent salary increase and a guarantee that all departing faculty would be replaced. The second dropped the salary demand down to an increase of 11.8 per cent and asked for a guarantee that all faculty who leave through early retirement packages be replaced.

The administration rejected both. It says it has little money to spare and can't afford the requested salary increases and to guarantee that all vacated positions be replaced.

The faculty association, however, says it can't afford not to, as the reduced staff complement is hurting the quality of education at the university.

Resolution of the faculty replacement issue is particularly pressing as 46 professors will be taking early retirement July 1.

Cross says the board's latest offer, which guarantees to not eliminate, but not necessarily fill, the vacant positions is a step – but a small one.

"I suppose it's a recognition that there is a problem," he said. "[But] it doesn't put any people in classrooms."

Gunter Muecke, an earth sciences professor, agrees.

Muecke is one of those early retirees. He says he is out on the picket line to prove a point, even though he personally won't benefit from a new settlement.

"I am walking because I see the programs in this university being threatened by the cutback in faculty," he said. "I am retiring 10 years before I have to [because]... I can no longer do for the students what I want to."

Talks were scheduled to resume March 26, will a provincial conciliator mediating discussions.

Though no one seems sure of where talks, or the strike, will go from here, Cross says something has to be done, and soon.

"There are only a couple of weeks left in the term and people are going to graduate. We have to do something fast," he said.

Students at Dalhousie have been bracing for a strike for weeks. Earlier this month, over 700 gathered in protest outside a building where the university's board of governors were meeting, demanding that the two sides come to an agreement. They also want to see a student at the negotiating table.

Liberals push PM to shape up on student front

by Meg Murphy

OTTAWA (CUP)—The inadequacy of the Chretien government's band-aid budget solutions for skyrocketing student debt has even left federal Liberal party hacks calling for mercy.

In a move to ensure greater accessibility to universities for cash-strapped students, delegates at the recent Liberal convention in Ottawa passed a resolution calling for a national system of grants.

The Liberal party convention took place March 20-22.

In the resolution, delegates also demanded additional funds for the Canada Students Loan Program, the introduction of debt relief gauged according to salary and the establishment of an appropriate ceiling on the level of individual student debt.

They also requested the launch of a publicity campaign to encourage the pursuit of higher education and an income contingency loan repayment program.

According to Richard Gorham, New Brunswick's representative for the Liberal party's standing policy committee, the resolution amalgamated concerns expressed by several provinces into one comprehensive package.

"From New Brunswick's point of view," he said, "we are very concerned that students come out of their education with increasing debt. The government should do something with helping them cope with the problem."

It was the insistence on a national system of grants that caught NDP member of Parliament Libby Davies' attention. It prompted her to note the Liberal party resolution during the March 24 question period in the House and demand action be taken on it.

"I think the resolution is just another indication of the increasing pressure that is continuing to build," Davies said. The call for a comprehensive national system of grants is a cornerstone of the Canadian Federation of Students' campaign this year.

"The Liberals, despite all their claims and rhetoric about this being a student's budget, have not lived up to their promises," Davies said, pointing out that by the year 2000 the Chretien government will have cut $3.1-billion in post-secondary education funding.

Comparatively, the new Millennium scholarship fund heralded in the Liberal's latest budget reinvests $2.5 billion into student aid over 10 years, beginning at the start of the next century.

She says with debt loads averaging $25,000 for many graduates and desperate bankruptcy declarations becoming more commonplace, the fund does not cut it.

"The federal government has completely gutted its funding of post-secondary education," Davies said, adding the federal scholarship fund is a token gesture since it helps only 100,000 students a year, which is seven per cent of the higher-education attendee population.

"It is a classic Liberal strategy that you give people a little bit and pacify them and then you turn off the tap," she said, pointing to changes in student bankruptcy legislation as indicative of the federal government's true attitude.

The new legislation extends the period during which a person is not allowed to discharge a student loan through bankruptcy after leaving the education system – from the current two years to 10.

"I think that is an incredibly cynical move, that they are planning to change the bankruptcy legislation. If they are so convinced their budget is good for students, why are they anticipating unpayable student debt and already protecting the bankers' interests?" she asked.

But Human Resources Minister Pierre Pettigrew, answering on behalf of the prime minister, responded to Davies' criticism in the House with self-assurance.

"The budget has been very, very well received because education and access to knowledge, competence and skills is at the heart of it," he said, pointing to the Millennium scholarship fund as a grant system and assuring all that the Canada stdent loan program is being improved.

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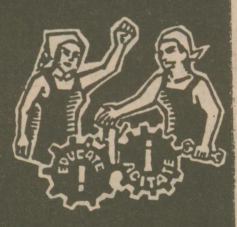

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EDITORIAL

Funding, the tuition freeze, and looking toward the future

Throughout *the Martlet's* first 50 years, there have been similarities and changes in the who, what, where, when and why questions asked by our reporters.

Looking through past issues, a steady and reliable flow of student protest is about as difficult to predict as the sunrise. There were changes, however, and these changes usually came in the form of the why? question. That is, why are hundreds of students milling around the legislature carrying signs and often incoherently chanting (Pardon me, but did you say *kill* Dr. Strong, or *bill* Dr. Strong)?

Some issues, like the legalization of hemp, have been around UVic longer than most current *Martlet* staff have existed (on this planet at least). But other protest subjects have varied from year to year, and with these variations have provided a wide array of coverage in the student paper.

From the "No More Nukes" headlines in 1972 and 1985, to "No More Nikes" headlines of more recent editions, students have taken to public gathering as a means of expressing their concerns over all types of perceived injustice.

This year, the theme was funding.

It is the one thing that affects every member of the university community, and the one rallying cry that most students can agree on. Whether it's geography students gathered to protest against waitlists that have become as common a part of student life as coffee and Kraft Dinner; 3000 students marching through Victoria's streets shouting out against rising student debt, or UVic teaching assistants organizing their own union, the common denominator is lack of funding.

The provincial government has frozen tuition for another year and, unlike past tuition freeze measures in British Columbia, has actually increased funding for the same post-secondary institutions affected by the freeze.

This isn't going to solve the waitlist problems or bring back the now-defunct varsity volleyball team. But it will keep tuition at a somewhat workable level in BC. And, unlike students in New Brunswick, where tuition will be rising by 10 per cent next year, BC students haven't felt the need to use bomb threats to make their voice heard.

Glen Clark's NDP government responded to the unified chants of rallying students. We are undoubtedly the envy of students across Canada facing a huge and apparently never-ending wave of tuition increases.

But what happens next? The Federal government has announced a $2.5 billion dollar 10-year band aid solution to invest in education, but these funds are designed to ease student debt loads.

What about the load being placed on university administration who are unable to generate the new revenue needed to meet increased costs of rising teaching assistant wages (assuming that will be the main focus of the now-union-certified UVic TAs)? This will be, and, if you were to ask a UVic Geography student, already has been affecting the quality of education offered in the province. While many third- and fourth-year students are relieved to know they won't be seeing the drastic tuition increases currently being experienced to the east, it is important to look further ahead. How long before Clark is forced to act on his statements that out-of-province fees will be necessary without more federal money?

It is a problem that can be seen at all levels and often the media contributes to it with knee-jerk reactions. For years, *the Martlet* has attacked the University of Victoria Students' Society for their inability to balance their books. Now they are making a concentrated effort to do just that and most Martleteers can't help but bitch loudly every time they purchase lunch or dinner in the SUB. The prices in our "student" building have reached a point where, even for lazy journalists, the idea of walking (ugghh) across Ring Road to eat in the cheaper University Centre is becoming appealing. But how can we complain? We were the ones continuously ridiculing the UVSS for being mathematically inept. They've proven differently and now we want our cheap grub back.

Somewhere in all this, there must exist a middle ground. A point where interests meet for a common good. We just hope someone finds it before things get out of hand.

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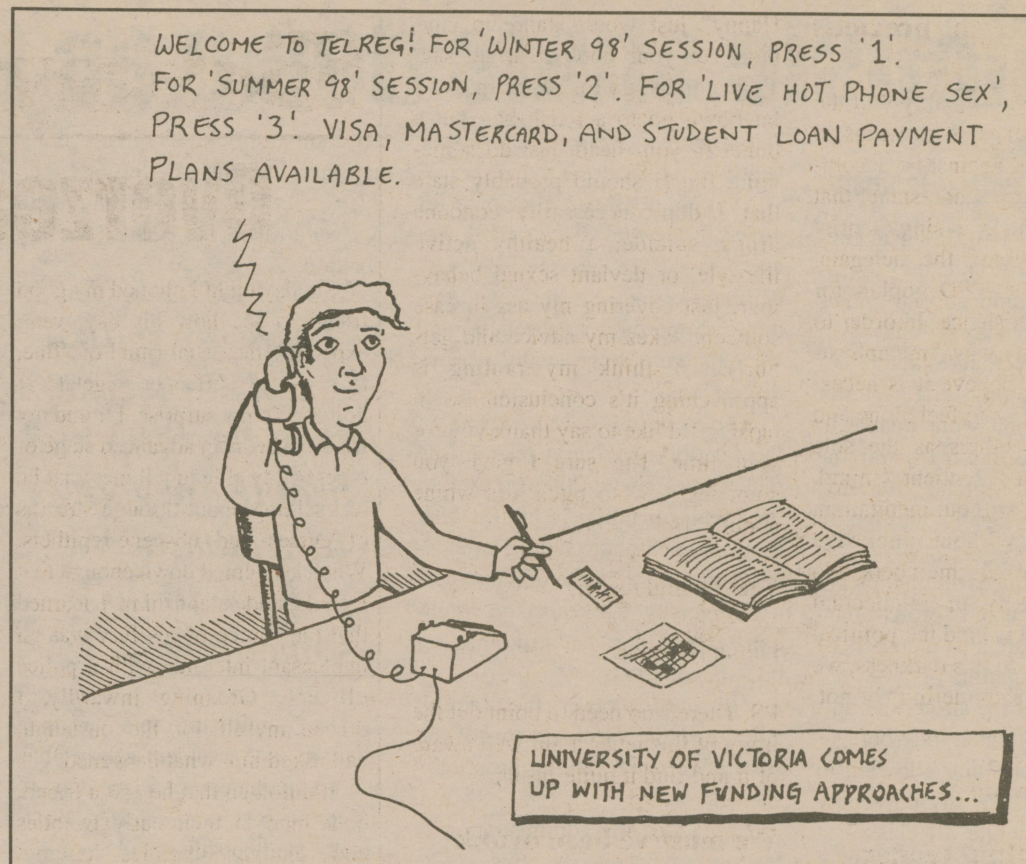
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Martlet a tool for dictatorship

Editors;

You're most recent entry in the "Student Voice" column provides an excellent example of the sort of blind hypocrisy that has consistently been applied by the Martlet over the course of my two years at Uvic, through the publishing choices that are made. Aside from being stupid, juvenile and completely unworthy of publication, this particular "article" (published, ironically enough, for anti-racism week) displays the most shocking example of bigotry that I have ever seen in print.

Does it not occur to anyone else that bigotry is not far removed when one generalizes that ALL members of a certain group (in this case, the 5,000 member crew of the U.S.S. Abraham Lincoln) are bloodthirsty murderers, who bomb children for fun, and while ashore, rape women and beat homosexuals, as the author of the said piece has implied? Did it not occur to the editors of this issue that prejudice lies in the article's suggestion that, because of their affiliation in a social group, 5,000 individuals should be treated with contempt and barred entry into a public facility? If it is still not obvious to any reader that the author of "Student Voice" is, albeit unknowingly, advocating bigotry, then insert an ethnic group, as the subject of the authors wild behavioral generalizations, in place of the sailors. Imagine an article that suggested Aboriginal peoples should be barred from Felicita's because they are all beer-swilling, "faggot" beating, raping, degenerates. Or perhaps an article that suggested that Jews should be barred from the Sub for the actions of Israel against the Palestinian peoples, would provide a more illustrative example. (An apt analogy, as individual sailors have about as much say over who they bomb, as an individual Jew has over the actions of the state of Israel.)

Therefore, ironically, while the Uvic ideologues are searching for racism in the most extreme recesses of every Caucasian mind (for only white people are racist...), they fail to notice that the very bigotry they purport to be stamping out is being printed, right under there noses.

However, I refuse to believe that this is an isolated incident- rather, I find it reflective of the character of the Martlet as a whole, and the logical consequence of its mission statement, published, in fine print, under at the bottom of the credit box. By declaring that the Martlet exists to promote "constructive social change" and that nothing deemed to be "racist, sexist or homophobic" will be printed, the staff of the Martlet are unwittingly opening the same Pandora's box that burst upon Russia in 1917. The problem lies in the fact that "constructive social change", "racism", "sexism", and "homophobia" are so broadly ambiguous that the editorial staff has given itself de facto power to not publish anything that diverges from its own collective opinion. Criticism of any sort against movements supported by the common ideology among the Uvic intellegensia, i.e. gay rights, feminist interpretation of women's rights (believe it or not, there are other women with opinions on the matter), and socialism, is not tolerated, as any such criticism can be made to fall within the broad parameters of "racism, sexism and homophobia". Whereas, emotionally driven, thoughtless and unedifying articles that do agree with *the Martlet's* conception of "constructive social change" are published routinely, without the simplest analysis, that would reveal the double-standard being employed by the choice of material that is printed. Last issue's "Student Voice" was published because it hacks Americans- a popular scapegoat for the ills of the world. Conversely, no articles that even suggest "pro-life" sympathies are published because, despite the fact that the overwhelming majority of "pro-life" supporters are women, to be "pro-life" is to be "anti-choice", ergo "anti-woman", ergo "sexist" and is, ergo, not published.

The purpose of a student newspaper, like *the Martlet*, should be to express and discuss the beliefs held by the students of Uvic, regardless of what they may be, so that the people as a whole can come to a consensus as to what "constructive social change" is; that is democracy and that is freedom of speech. The current state of affairs, however, has a group of self-appointed demagogues, deciding amongst themselves what "constructive social change" is, and then suppressing all divergent opinions, and using *the Martlet* as a tool to brainwash and bully the populace into line; this is dictatorship, and this is Stalinism, albeit on a small scale. I challenge the staff of *the Martlet* to change their notion of "constructive social change" from being an axiom upon which to proceed, to being a variety of points to be debated. Rather, make free speech and democracy, through open debate the sole goal of what is supposed to be our newspaper. It is not your place to dictate what should be changed and what shouldn't; you don't have the right, and what's more, you don't have the wisdom.

Paul Harder.

Freedom of expression

I am writing in response to a letter published two issues ago and directed at your womens' issue ("L7, crassness, etc..." , I believe it was called). I would like to address the laments of the writer, Dominika Wolski, as ones which undermine the struggles of minority groups (gender related or not) to gain equal status. Did she forget that if it wasn't for the efforts of these so-called "radicalists," she wouldn't have the freedom to express herself as a " strong woman," let alone the ability to have these views published? Can she honestly deny that the affectiveness of her freedom of speech in not at least related to her identity as a woman (traditionally subordinate gender)? I would like to say that I believe we have not even come close to segregating our society into the necessary degree of minority-class diminuitives. Only when every individual recognizes their inherent minority status as a

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unique, solitary personality will the understanding of what it means to be discriminated against be accomplished. We must understand that each one of us is a single-entity activist: the public, the delegate, financial advisor AND gopher for our very own existence. In order to feel united in any way, "metaphysical" or other, I believe it is necessary for each of us to feel alone and alienated from others as the sole occupant of our " sentient " mind. NO philosophy without meditation. No majority without inclusive alienation of all its members. No invisible minority of intellectual idealists hidden behind the political symbol of face. In this darkness, we are all alone, " shimmering" or not. Sincerely,

Dominick Wolboard

Another faithful reader

Editors;

For the past three years I have been reading *the Martlet* nearly every week (don't ask me why, I don't know). Lately I've begun to notice a familiar trend, there seems to be a startling increase in the amount of whiny, bitchy, "I, he, she, they have been victimized" articles. It seems that nearly every article has become a trashy editorial expressing the opinions of countless writers who somehow feel that they've been irked, screwed, jerked-around or f**cked over by everything that society has had to offer. Whether it's being told that they're attractive by someone on campus, or being told that they're unattractive by Gap ads, or being disgruntled by the colour of their writing paper, "Oh my God, it's WHITE. Just another example of The Man trying to repress me". It seems that the only newsworthy articles are the ones collected from associated press by other universities. OJ's book is a literary work of art compared to the toilet paper you deliver every week. It wouldn't be so far off to hypothesise that *the Martlet* is predominantly responsible for the propagation of hatred on campus. You all need to relax a bit and realize that life here is pretty sweet (until the tuition freeze ends), and that you have the whole of your post-graduate career to be exploited. If you think it's a hard life here, wait until you get a family, a mortgage, a government job and "Mr. Happy" just won't stand up anymore, or your boobs start to sag. Take a break, go for a run, smoke a fat bowl, go to a fetish bar, put a bullet in your head, just do something fun (I should probably state that I don't necessarily condone drugs, suicide, a healthy active lifestyle, or deviant sexual behaviour; just covering my ass in case someone takes my advice and gets hurt). I think my ranting is approaching it's conclusion, so in closing I'd like to say thank you for your time, I'm sure I gave you someting new to bitch and whine about.

Your faithful reader,

Dillon Newake

PS. There's no need to point out the irony of this letter, I am well aware of it and find it quite fitting.

We must've been drunk

Editors:

Re: "Drinking across the West- a guide to the best brews" of *the March* 26 issue:

At the risk of appearing pedantic, I must point out that this article contains a number of assertions that are somewhat inaccurate. Firstly, the author claims (incorrectly) that pale ale was designed to withstand the journey from England to India. In fact, pale ales arose over a century prior to the development of India as a colony. India pale ale was invented by the brewers of Burton-on-Trent to satisfy the complaints of colonists whose pale ale delivered from England suffered from staleness and infection. I.P.A. utilized higher hopping rates and alcohol levels than ordinary pale ale to preserve the beer more effectively.

In addition, when discussing Peculiar beer from the Granite brewery, this beer is described as sitting "somewhere between an ale and a bitter". This exhibits an important misuse of beer terminology, as "bitter" is a subclass of the wider category of Ale, which includes any and all beers fermented with ale yeast. The brewery calls Peculiar a Strong Ale, which is unrelated except incidentally to bitter.

Martlet readers may wish to ponder all this over their next pint of good ale.

Cheers,

Sam Mercer

Soapbox

Overzealous?

Sunday night I phoned my good friend to see how his day went, expecting the usual ritual of "fine, let's go for coffee or vegetate at home". To my surprise, I found my friend to be in an advanced stage of rage, barely able to tell me what he was talking about through streams of curses and obscene epithets. When he calmed down enough that I could understand him, I learned that the source of his fury was an unpleasant interlude with a police officer. Groaning inwardly, I braced myself for the onslaught and asked him what happened.

It unfolded that he and a friend, both men in their early twenties and relatively harmless-looking, had been walking through the ritzy neighbourhood of Rockland around 9 p.m., enjoying a conversation and the grandiose architecture, when a police cruiser rolled by and pulled up next to them. An officer got out and asked them what they were up to. "Just out for a walk," was their (honest? heh) reply. Obviously sceptical, the constable told them that there had been a few break-ins in the area and asked to see some identification. "Hmm, Esquimalt. Aren't you guys a bit far from home?" smirked the constable, still not believing that two guys wandering around at 9 p.m. were up to no harm. "So, what's in the bag," came the next query. When my friend told her he was carrying a toque, some woolen gloves and a water bottle, she opened the top compartment of his pack and discovered, among other things, about 15 bucks worth of weed. Scolding him, she confiscated the pot and proceeded to frisk him down, ostensibly looking for other concealed illegal goods. She discovered his pocketknife, a three-inch, Swiss Army-type job he bought at Robinson's Sporting Goods a few years ago. Asserting that it was a concealed weapon, she seized it, gave my friend her card, and drove off with a parting shot of "You're lucky I didn't charge you with possession."

Those were the near-exact words I answered with when I heard the end of his diatribe. Not "Hey, she had no right to search you," or "You got busted for strolling in Rockland?" Immediately, I thought my friend was overreacting. He lost his week's stash, big deal. He wasn't harassed; cops don't deliberately target one group of the population, do they? Besides, the officer turned out to have just suspicion for searching them—ridiculous or not, possession of marijuana is still against the law. I didn't see a miscarriage of justice, just an inconvenience. Just a cop doing her job to protect innocent law-abiders from thuggish criminals. Except that my friend's a taxpayer too, and wasn't harming anyone.

However, as I considered the fairness of my friends' treatment, I began to realize that they had been accosted and questioned purely because they were young, male and a bit scruffy-looking, walking in a rich part of town. I'd never had any problem with police harassment before, but then again, I'm female, pretty clean-cut looking and live in Fairfield; aside from failing to pay for my candy samples at Thrifty's, almost 20 bucks in library fines and a recreational pot habit, I'm straight-edge. And although my friends hadn't been assaulted or arrested, they had had some basic human rights violated, and, contrary to my initial reaction, they definitely had a right to be angry. And that made me angry.

So, maybe I don't blithely accept the "statistical just cause" line as easily as I once did. That constable had no right to search my friends and treat them like criminals, five o'clock shadow notwithstanding. Sure, I still think police officers are fundamentally "good guys," but the next time somebody complains of police injustice, I'm going to listen. And Dave, I'm on your side.

by Andrea Lane

Andrea Lane is taller than you

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Martlet editor held for questioning

by Adrienne Mercer

Police apprehended Martlet editor Hasbeen Woodbee and confiscated a large potato gun after a scuffle atop the Clearihue clock tower April 1. Hungry Martlet staffers later recovered a bag of Yukon Gold spuds from the scene.

Woodbee's co-workers agree he was "under a lot of stress" at the time of the incident.

Because he was gagged and straitjacketed before his removal from the tower, Woodbee could not comment, though he did mutter something that sounded like, "Viva Las Vegas, Baby."

"We were finishing up the last issue of the year when Hasbeen just lost it!" said reporter Ander Fire. "He started yelling 'No more! No more!' Then he pulled a big cylinder-thing and a backpack from under his desk and ran out of the room."

Constable Marilyn Hardcore of the Saanich Police said Woodbee is currently undergoing a psychiatric evaluation.

"If he is found to be sound of mind, he may be charged with owning and operating an illegal firearm, disturbing the peace, vandalizing a public building, and wasting perfectly good food," she said.

Though potato guns are not actually listed as illegal, Hardcore says Woodbee's gun qualifies "Just because it's so damned big."

Woodbee attempted to shoot co-worker Peter Parker with the gun, but Parker, a photographer at the Martlet, says he won't press charges.

"I can't be mad at Hasbeen in this situation," he said. "All you can do is feel sorry for him."

The backpack was shredded by the impact.

"I only knew it was a potato that hit me when I had to pull bits of it off my clothes," he said.

Fire said Parker dashed into the office shouting that Woodbee had "cracked" and tried to kill him. Fire grabbed a camera, and he, Parker, and news editor Lois Lane ran to the Clearihue building, to find Woodbee leaping up and down atop the tower, firing potatoes at the library window and into Petch fountain.

"I don't think he was trying to hurt anyone," said Lane. "He probably only shot at Peter because the sports photos didn't turn out. But things would have been fine–we were going to fill the section with old photos of an Ultimate tournament."

Lane said Woodbee had not slept for at least 36 hours prior to the incident.

"He was pretty disgruntled, too," she said. "He told me no one was ever happy with the paper, you know, left thinks we're too right, right thinks we're too left, the UVSS Chair thinks we're crap. When he realized we had run nine-month old Ultimate photos, I think that was the final straw."

Both Traffic and Security and the Saanich police attended the scene, after an anonymous English student dialed 911.

Traffic and Security Director Hunter Mann called Woodbee's actions "Totally unacceptable." Although no injuries resulted from Woodbee's potato gun appeared to be home-made.

"It wouldn't be hard to do," she said. "I think they teach you how on that South Park program.

"But I'll tell you one thing, that gun is so damn big the police report had to say it was apprehended separately."

"I don't understand why three witnesses from the Martlet didn't call the authorities immediately," she added.

Lane said she and her co-workers thought it was more important to "get the story."

"That's our job," she said. "I don't care what anybody else thinks. It's what Hasbeen would have done."

Approximately 16 traumatized ducks have yet to return to the Petch fountain. Their habitat is filled with soggy potatoes, and an on-campus animal rights group believes several of the birds may have been deafened by the commotion. There will be an anti-potatogun protest at the fountain Friday, April 3 at 12:30. Organizers promise that Woodbee will be hung in effigy.

Martlet Editor-in-Chief Hasbeen Woodbee waves his potato gun frantically from atop the UVic clocktower. No one was injured in the incident, but several ducks have reportedly suffered trauma. A rally is planned.

Fashion column

by Sugar DeLite

Martlet managing editor Keith Powell has given up his usual duds for some really happenin' threads. Gone are the "Lick, Shoot, and Suck" Jose Cuervo t-shirts, Road to Avonlea green wool Season 7 hat and various Eddie B. plaid shirts. Here to stay: the eighties Eurotrash look meets 1970s disco. He was spotted on the weekend wearing sparkly pink sequined bellbottoms and a rainbow mock-turtleneck half-top. Yeehaw Satan!

On another campus fashion note, Martlet Editor-in-Chief Kevin Woodley showed up for a production Tuesday in those ever-lovin' cowboy boots complete with dark green football jersey. Put me in coach, I'm ready to play!

Throughout the year, there have been many fashion "yessireebobs!" It's what they like to call CP Style. Thanks for making it happen.

There will be a rally/fashion show for Powell's new get-up next week and organizers are expecting a full campus protest not long after that. The motto: "No more Road to Avonlea hats at UVic."

Latest Victoria weather forecast calls for rallies

By James Rowe and Anders Knudsen

It rained in Victoria last Sunday, and there was another rally.

Sunday, March 29 was proclaimed "Rally Against Rallies day" by a group calling itself "Basically everyone in Victoria."

Nearly 350,000 Victorians did not show up for the event.

"Hell, we figured 325,000 wouldn't show, so we were very pleased," said rally organizer Rob Phlegmming, leader of UVic's Liberal Communist club.

Anti-rally organizers placed posters around the city telling participants to stay home on the 29th, adding, "You won't have to endure the smell." The plan was for all involved to open their windows at noon and express their thoughts on rallies.

Results ranged from chants: "Hey hey, ho ho, rallies are stupid," to comments like, "Hey Madge, get the chainsaw. There's a bunch of them kids on our lawn again."

Stilton Friedman, member of the rally circuit for 40 years, was one of the few Victorians standing in front of the legislature Sunday afternoon, carrying a placard saying, "U.S. out of Hanoi."

When asked if he thought it bizarre to be rallying against rallies, Friedman said "it doesn't matter as long as Kruschev gets the message."

"Look you snotty litttle ingrate, if I don't take a 20 minute walk each week, my joints become stiffer than Lenin's pickled weiner," said Friedman.

Protestor Suzanne Errand was more passionate about not attending the rally.

"I'm just happy not to make it to this week's rally," said Errand. "I was on a cruise with daddy during that tuition fee rally. I got too hammered at Pescatore's to make it to that fuzzy seal parade.

"And I had a job interview with Macmillan-Bloedel during the anti-MAI rally. But I'm supporting this one."

Back at UVic, President David "Honeybear" Bong fully endorsed the rally.

"No matter the cause, anything which diverts attention from what I'm not doing here, is a good cause," said Bong.

Bong's enthusiasm was caught by many UVic students at the rally as well.

One Martlet reporter on the scene thought the rally was "ideal for a journalist. I should be able to make the whole thing up."

"After briefly judging the situation, maybe asking someone a question, and generally going off hearsay and conjecture, I think we have a perfect Martlet story," said the reporter.

"And if there's any questions, I can just blame it on the editors."

How about Jenn (Sgt) Schlotter?

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Blood on the Dancefloor

Martlet perk:bad movies

by Lyndsay Sung

Along with working with Mortie, there are lots of other great benefits of being an Arts Editor at the *Martlet*. GREAT CDs (Marilyn Manson *Remix & Repent* along with many other gems), great little folders from bad movies that these big movie companies send to us to review (*Good Burger, Free Willy 3*, Stallone in *Daylight*)...but the biggest plus? Getting to see free movies! Yeeehhhaaa.

So, often I'd get to take a guest, which would usually be my goth rock stoner friend Strawz.

Bean was one of the miserable movies we attempted, while a little inebriated. The next night we saw *Gattaca*, which we re-christened *Shittica*. Leaving half-way through we shouted "GATTACA SUCKS!"

The true gems of the year? This year's free shitty movie of the year award goes to *Half-Baked*. The audience was more amusing than the movie, especially this awesome thirty-something meatheaded guy who liked to say the jokes out loud to his buddy, "Haha! The dog's got munchies! Haha!"

Second place goes to the wondrous *Wild Things*. Ah, the pure beauty of film. This film was made by the guy who did *Henry: Portrait of a Serial Killer*. But *Wild Things* is real bad.

Take whiny Neve Campbell, stick her in bad girl rocker clothes, throw in this fucking BIMBO whore from *Starship Troopers*! and you've got a T&A special. For the love of God! *Starship Troopers* freak! Her acting! I'm speechless it is so absolutely terrible! How can she live with herself!

So, these two make up a fake rape accusation against the Matt Dillon character. But it was all a scam! And even Kevin Bacon's involved, with his full frontal half erection and all. There is the scene where Neve and Barbie start getting it on in the swimming pool. Even that was miserable.

Ouch, I was groaning throughout the whole movie.

So many more I could name. So many brain cells have I wasted. I really wanted to see *Hush*, the Gwyneth Paltrow slasher, but I think I'll just stick to Cinecenta for a while.

The trash bitch needs a rest.

New all-ages venue hosts all-girl show

by Lyndsay Sung

Expect loud noise and lots of punk at the Pandora Project this Saturday, when local mostly-girl bands are getting together to rip shit up as a benefit for the UVic Sexual Assault Centre and a local Victoria Transition House.

> "Anything's good to help revive the local music scene.It seems like it's been in a slump in the last while"

The Beelzeboobies, Mudslinger, Welcome to Beatsville, Octum's Razor (ex Loud Mouth Mason) and guests are performing at the Pandora Project, a new all-ages venue.

Alternative venues such as the Pandora Project and Inner City Youth Works are of crucial importance for Victoria's youth community.

"I used to be really into the all-ages scene when I was younger," says Sage Aaron, who is putting on this Saturday's benefit show. "I just always remembered the scene being totally important for younger kids to have something like that to do. On weekends and stuff, it's pretty bleak."

Last Friday, March 27 the Project hosted one of its first all-ages shows, featuring the Beelzeboobies, the Trousers and Render Useless. Walking into the Pandora Project, I got the feeling I was at a high school dance, minus the streamers and bad canned music. But as the crowd gathered tightly in a semi-circle around the performers, there was a feeling of community.

Along with the bands, there were tables set up with cheap records, political patches, buttons and zines for sale.

Sister Cyanide, bassist for the all-girl Satanist rocker group the Beelzeboobies, likes the idea of the new venue. "The location is good, but playing in a gym is hard, cause it's too big and the sound isn't that good...on Friday, it seemed harder to get a good audience response in such a big place."

> "For Victoria's youth, it's a chance to express their teenaged angst, and they like to rock out!"

Although the venue isn't perfect, it's a start. "Anything's good to help revive the local music scene," Sister Cyanide says. "It seems like it's been in a slump in the last while...hopefully some of the new bands that are up and coming will be able to revive it and stir up some interest among the youth of Victoria."

The Beelzeboobies are one of the few "out" girl bands, which is hard in Victoria's "boy's club" local music scene. "There's certainly not enough of girl bands," adds Sister Cyanide. "It seems ridiculous that we have to have a special all-girl show, only because it doesn't happen hardly ever naturally. There's always all-boys shows and nobody toots their horn about it."

Beelzeboobies singer Muffistopheles adds, "All-ages shows are important, and also fun. For Victoria's youth, it's a chance to express their teenaged angst, and they like to rock out! Cause it's good to rock out. Also, all-ages shows are better than that stinky bar scene. You don't have to deal with that 'bar star' stuff."

Advance tickets for Saturday's show are on sale for $4 at Ditch Records, Lyle's Place and Java. Tickets at the door are five bucks, or four with a can of food. Doors open at 7 p.m. The Pandora Project is located at 755 Pandora Street.

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Travolta's fat 'cause *Grease* is good

by Kelly Henderson

I was five years old that fateful summer in 1978 when *Grease* was first released in theatres. My older sister Melissa saw the early afternoon matinee with her best friend. She came home jumping up and down, so enthralled by "T" Birds and Pink Ladies she went right back downtown and saw the second matinee.

When I saw *Grease* in its 20th anniversary re-release last Saturday, I wanted to do the same thing. I had chills, and they were multiplyin'. But I was already at the late afternoon matinee. I'd skipped the 1 p.m. show, and opted for the 4 p.m. Big mistake.

For her birthday later that summer, Melissa got the *Grease* soundtrack double album. She played it nonstop. We hand jived along with our older sister Jennifer. We had our parents teach us some 50's dance moves. We were so *Grease*, we were oil. As slick as Danny's hair, as shiny as Sandy's smile. I begged for a pink satin jacket so I could be a Pink Lady. I asked my mom to dye my hair pink. At age five, Frenchy was my favourite just because she was so pink.

At the Capitol Six last Saturday, my friend Sandra and I were dismayed that no one was singing along. As soon as the show started, we were bouncing in our seats. We knew every word to every song, of course we wanted to belt them out. But no one else was doing it. I couldn't believe it. I was born to hand jive, baby.

I still can't figure out which scene in Grease is my favourite.

Watching *Grease* in that theatre for the umpteenth time, I giggled at John Travolta's cheesy dancing on the bleachers. I rolled my eyes at the lame 50's humour of Doody and Putsie. I laughed out loud when Jan stuffed her face with Twinkie after Twinkie. This time I was laughing at *Grease*, not with it.

I still can't figure out which scene in *Grease* is my favourite. I always liked the opening animation sequence. Or is it when the "T" Birds envision Kenickie's hunk of junk as "Greased Lightnin"? Maybe it's Frenchy's vision of Frankie Avalon as her guardian angel. The National Bandstand Television dance-off where Cha-Cha steals Danny from Sandy and they bust so many moves they win the trophy? No, it's definitely the graduation carnival, where Sandy wows 'em in black satin. You're the one that I want, Sandy.

When I was in second year, I came home drunk and channel surfed until I stumbled across *Grease*. I couldn't believe it - *Grease* was on in all it's Technicolor glory! I called Melissa at 3 a.m. to tell her that *Grease* was on TV.

"Turn it on! We can watch it together!" I shouted over the phone. I was too wasted to realize that the channel I was watching in Ottawa was not broadcasting in Toronto, where my sister lives.

"Kelly, I have the video (a Christmas present from my mom a few years ago). I'll watch it in the morning if it'll make you feel better," she griped sleepily.

I hung up the phone, disappointed we couldn't sing along together. Still, I knew that Melissa wasn't really mad at me. When it comes to the two of us, Grease is the word.

Rollins ranting rad

The Portable Henry Rollins
by Henry Rollins
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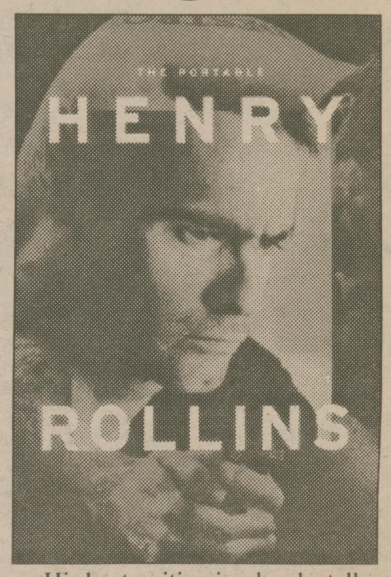
by Keith Powell



Angst is out; the Spice Girls are in. So just how relevant is Henry Rollins in the late 1990s? From his early days singing for Black Flag and SOA, his solo career with the Rollins Band, and countless spoken word gigs, Rollins has built a career on the dark side of rock and roll, avoiding its hedonistic lifestyle, concentrating instead on rock's aggressive, testosterone-fueled power. The result is a brooding, sometimes self-indulgent, body of work that can be as tedious as often as it hits home.

Let's get one thing straight: there is nothing remotely portable about Henry Rollins; everything the man touches turns just so damn *heavy* that you can't help but wonder if he knows how to laugh. This collection, an overview of writing from his 12 books spanning a 15 year period, is a relentless barrage of bar brawls, bad relationships, a dysfunctional family life, and capped with his best friend's murder. But it's his life, and the way he sees the world. It's an interesting perspective, but man is it exhausting.

I saw Rollins do a spoken word show in 1993 and was impressed by his professional storytelling ability, but a little confused by his continual assurances that he "liked most people" and that humanity as a whole is basically good. Which is it, Hank? In *Now Watch Him Die*, which came out shortly before that tour, and which is excerpted in this collection, he complains about "crack whores" and "weak people," whom he tries to stay away from to avoid getting "contact weakness."

His best writing is when he talks about his experiences and what he took away from them without all the angry man bullshit. One piece chronicles his personal development by writing about where he was and what we was doing on 11 consecutive birthdays; another relates how and why he started lifting weights. They're compelling because he's telling you how it is without the "I'm hard, you're weak" nonsense that pollutes most of his poetry and a good chunk of his tour diaries.

I must admit, though, I used to think Rollins was the biggest phony in rock and roll, but this collection won me over. He comes off as a very self-aware individual, complete on his own, not giving a shit about his detractors because he doesn't have to. The question is, where does he go from here? Rollins turned 37 this past February, and can only maintain the angry young man persona for so long. He either needs to move on in both his writing and his life, or else he'll become an embittered old shut-in, trying to forget the past, and caring for a houseful of cats.

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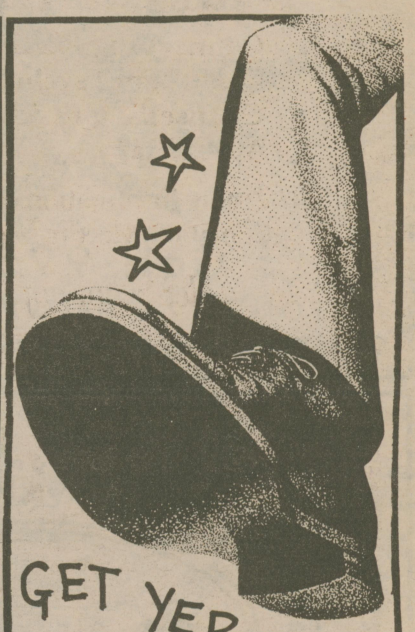

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by Lyndsay Sung

Tressa Brotsky's piece of art is the "clown video thing with the dress," as she quickly and nervously describes it. There is no need for her to be nervous; "err", the student run art show she helped curate, is a success.

"For a Monday night, for an unknown place, this is so successful," she says with a shaved head and a smile. "We've had like, two hundred and fifty people show up."

On March 30, "err" was a smash, an art show with over 30 local student artists. It was held at the Capital City Cultural Association, a very cool space in the Gorge area. The big old house is usually used for raves.

The ambience was set with guest DJ's spinning Stereolab, artsy types hanging on the black walls and standing around the table with good free food including puffy pink gum-based sugar bunnies, much like the softness of a Hostess Sno-ball.

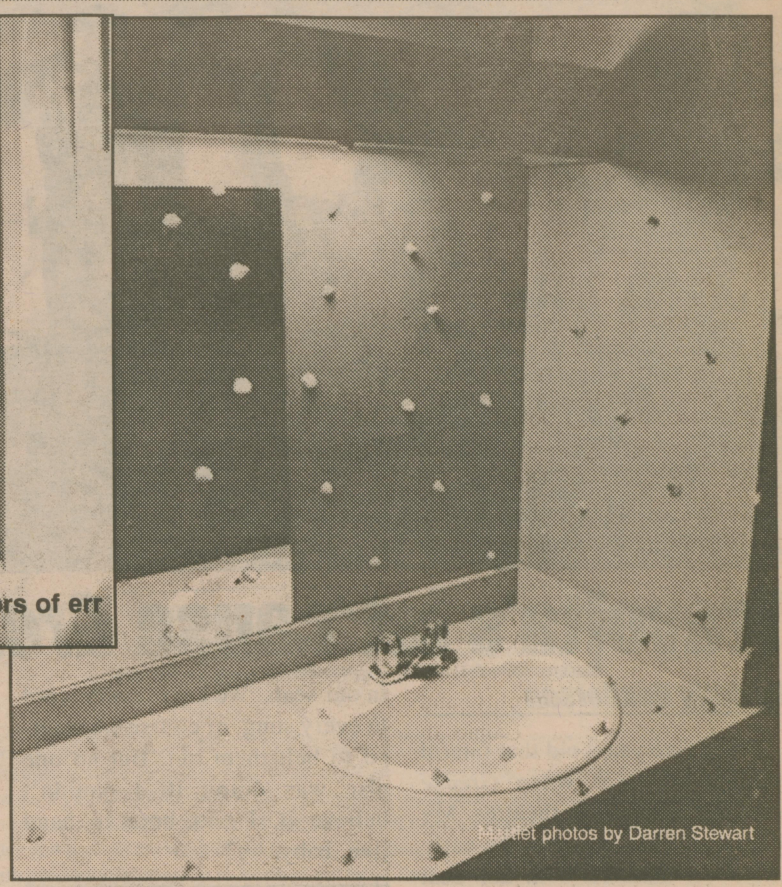
The art is all contemporary. "There's only three artists who aren't students. The rest are third and fourth year students at UVic. Pretty much all of the work has been done this year," explains Brotsky.

"The cool thing about this art show is that it's held in an alternative space, subversive to the regular art scene, freaked–out lighting...it's not pretentious." Brotsky says. "The atmosphere is relaxed, welcoming and inclusive."

An art sale of a similar vein will be taking place in the Visual Arts Building on Thursday, April 2nd from 8 to 10 p.m. Every piece is 100 bucks or less.

Because of the success of the first show, expect another "err" to show up soon to a location near you.

curators of err



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Big Lebowski absurdist intrigue

by Andrew Musgrave

The film medium may not be dying, but it is certainly on hold. Stanley Kubrick, arguably the English language's greatest director, hasn't put out a movie in 12 years; Coppola, Scorcese and Altman all have their greatest days behind them; and for lack of other options, Hollywood is hoping to find artistic legitimacy through *Good Will Hunting* and *L.A. Confidential.*

Cue the wails of lament. Then, enter the Coen brothers and *The Big Lebowski,* as disarming a comedy this decade is likely to see.

The Big Lebowski just might be proof that to be subversive one does not have to be threatening. This film follows the story of Jeff Lebowski (played by Jeff Bridges), who goes simply by "The Dude," as a misunderstanding of identity leads to his carpet being pissed on by a pair of heavies looking to collect for a film producer.

His subsequent decision to seek recompense from the other, richer Jeffrey Lebowski, spurred on by his Vietnam-veteran friend and bowling partner Walter (John Goodman), leads The Dude right into the middle of a tale of absurdist intrigue which no brief film review could ever do justice.

In fact, how do you review a movie you barely understand? Every other Coen brothers' film, regardless of its level of irreverence, at least had a simple thematic thread tying the movie together. *Miller's Crossing* dealt with psychology, *Fargo* with morality, *Barton Fink* with Hollywood... even *Raising Arizona* can be looked upon as some sort of a treatise about family values.

For the avid film interpreter there is no shortage of material to work with here. In no particular order, *The Big Lebowski* addresses Jesus, castration, dreams, alcohol, sex, drugs, hippies, Judaism, the Gulf War, Vietnam, a toe cut off, an ear bitten off, German Technopop thugs, an implied Electra complex, pornography, kidnapping, and, of course, bowling.

Want more? How about the fact that Steve Buscemi wears four different bowling shirts throughout the film, none of which carries his character's name, Donny? Or is even trying to understand this film falling into its trap? What exactly does The Dude mean when he tells Walter over the phone that his unspoken message is "Fuck you"?

The timing for this review is probably bad. *The Big Lebowski,* barring Oscar consideration, has already enjoyed its Victoria run. Don't fret however, because this movie, even on the small screen, won't lose any of its unfathomability or charm in the meantime.

The Big Lebowski is currently playing at the Roxy. Also playing: The Full Monty (good), and on Tuesdays and weekends as part of its triple bill feature, Dark City (very, very bad).

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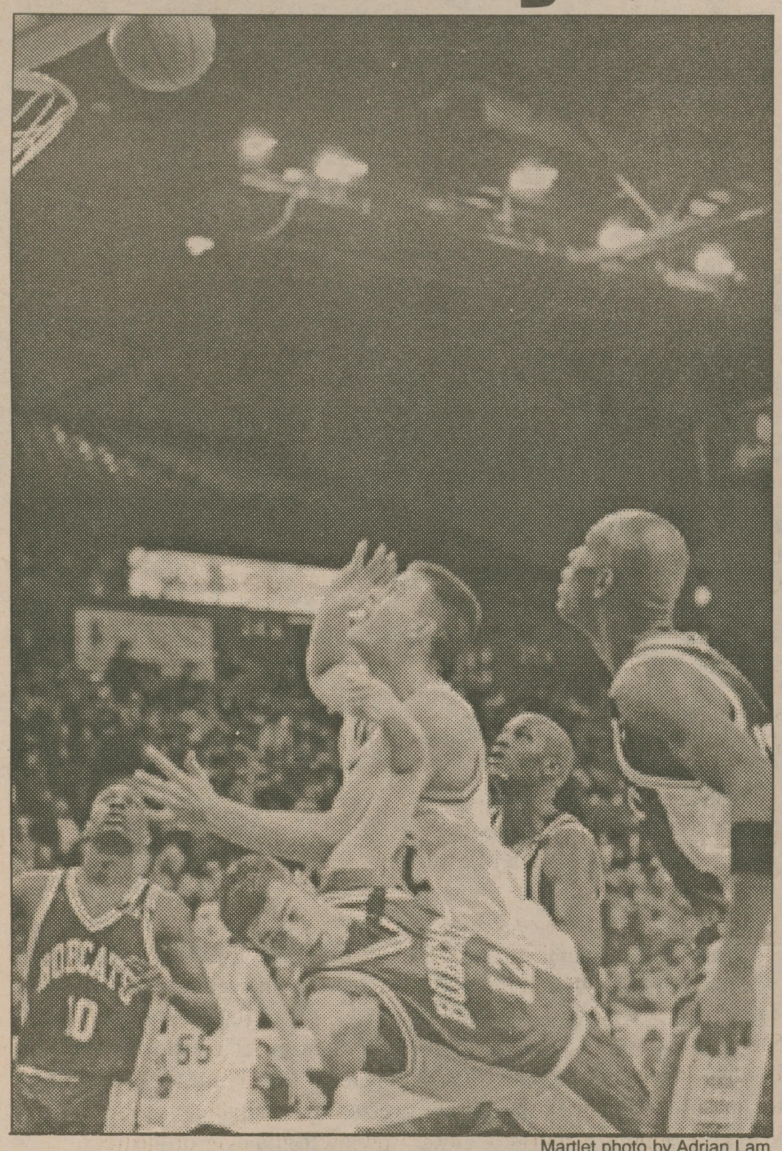
Yes–the "Big E" is coming back to McKinnon Gym

by Kevin Woodley



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UVic's Eric Hinrichsen crashes through the Brandon Bobcat defence at this year's CIAU National Championships in Halifax. Hinrichsen announced he is returning to play basketball for teh Vikes next year.

It has been the most asked question at the University of Victoria since the men's basketball team bowed out in the semi-finals of the National Championship–what's up with Eric next year?

That's Eric as in Eric Hinrichsen, the six-foot-six, 230 pound power forward from Campbell River, B.C. The "Big E" as he has become known to the home crowd at McKinnon Gym.

And now, after two weeks of waiting patiently, UVic basketball fans have the answer–Eric Hinrichsen will return for a final season of athletic eligibility and another run at a Canadian Interuniversity Athletic Union (CIAU) National Championship.

"I enjoy being and playing here," said Hinrichsen of his four-year stay in Victoria. "This program has been good to me."

Hinrichsen told *the Martlet* that he would be staying in Victoria next year, ending rumours that he would jump ship to pursue a professional basketball career in Europe. Speculation that the Big E was leaving started after he received interest from a couple of European teams last summer.

Hinrichsen confirmed the fact he did receive offers to stay in Europe last summer, but was quick to add that he didn't look into them. "I wasn't that serious about them," he said. "School is more important right now."

He plans to take courses at UVic this summer and will finish his sociology degree next year. "It would be a waste to be here for four years and then leave without a degree. I could have left and come back, but it's harder."

"One of his major considerations was his schooling," said Vikes head coach Guy Vetrie. "He wants to finish his degree and that's just awesome. When he came here, he made a commitment. He likes the program and he likes the people."

The former Canada West player of the year, two-time first-team All-Canadian and 1997 Moser trophy award winner (as the top men's basketball player in the CIAU) hopes to make Canada's Senior National Team this summer. He will attend an open identification camp in Vancouver next month and has also been invited to the National team camp in mid-June.

Hinrichsen struggled through several nagging injuries during the 1997-98 season, including a stress fracture in his foot that kept him out of the Vikes lineup for the entire month of January. Despite the missed playing time, Hinrichsen narrowly missed being named Canada West player-of-the-year.

Hinrichsen regularly produces double-doubles, averaging close to 20 points and 10 rebounds a game. He is the type of player capable of carrying an entire team on his wide shoulders, but he hasn't lost sight of the fact basketball is a team game.

"You always want to be as good as you can be. It's an honour," said Hinrichsen of the individual awards, "But basketball is a team is a team sport and you're only as good as your teammates."

Unfortunately for Vikes basketball fans, Hinrichsen won't have the same group of teammates for the 1998-99 season. Stellar sixth-man Donnie Fitzpatrick has used up his eligibilty and starting guard Seth Adler is taking his hip-shaking, head-faking, basket-making show overseas next year.

"It looks like I'll be playing in Israel because I can play as a domestic," said Adler, who is being represented by an agent in Vancouver. Adler, who has Israeli citizenship, played most recently in Israel as a member of the 1997 gold-medal winning Canadian team at the Maccabiah Games.

"I don't regret one thing," said Adler of his two years at UVic. "I wasn't planning on playing when I came out here (from Lethbridge), but I got a fresh start and it's been great the whole time I've been here."

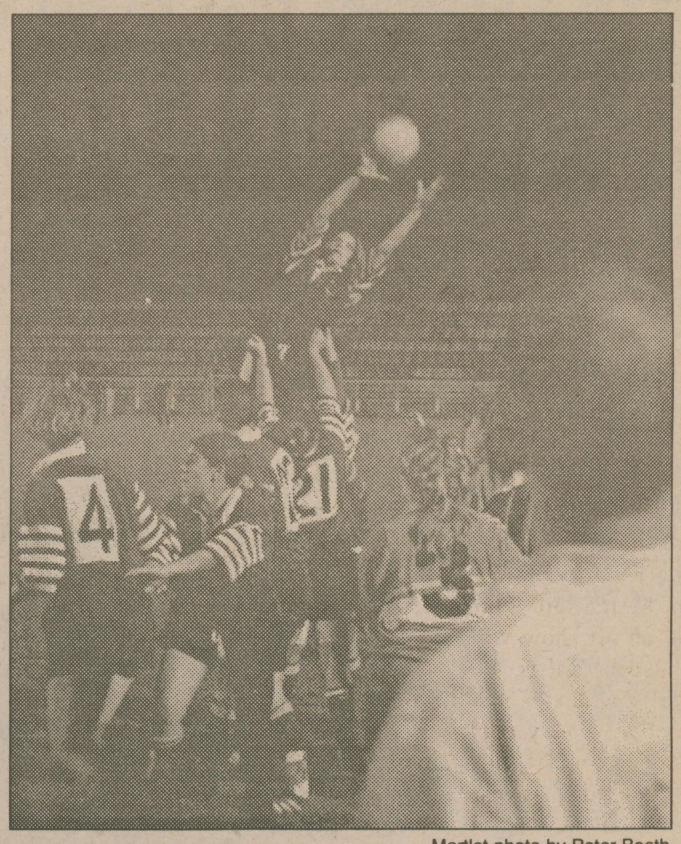
Also leaving is defensive specialist Matt Loveless, who has finished his undergraduate degree and hopes to be finishing his first year of Law school at another university by this time next year.

Question marks for next season include point guards Ralph Carter, who dressed for both games in the National Championships after cleaning out his locker following the Canada West finals, and Ali Wilmott, who has suffered through nagging knee injuries throughout much of the season. Carter hasn't commented on his plans, but Wilmott told *the Martlet* he will be back with the Vikes in September.

That leaves only centre Colin Martin as a question mark for next year. The six-foot-seven Martin said his status depends on school this summer. If he completes his degree before September, his return to the lineup could be in jeopardy.

"We won't know what we have until September," said Hinrichsen of the changing Vikes roster. "Until then, I'm just going to keep trying to improve."

Vikes basketball fans are just glad the Big E will be improving under the 35 championships banners hanging from the north wall of McKinnon Gym.



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The University of Victoria Valkyries women's rugby team battles against the visitors from Stanford University at Centennial Stadium Friday night. Stanford used a last minute rally to defeat the UVic Valkyries 29-24. UVic plays in the B.C. finals Apr. 4 at 1 p.m. at Burnaby Lake in Vancouver against the Ex-Brit Lions.

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Even awards a bittersweet event for volleyball

by Kristi Millar

1997-98 was a tough year for Jeff Orchard, captain of the UVic men's volleyball team, as he saw his team changed from a level I to a level II sport and removed from CIAU competition, but the season ended on a positive note for the third-year player Tuesday night.

At the 1998 UVic Athletic Awards Banquet, Orchard was presented with the Chancellor's Award, a new award that recognizes athletes who are outstanding contributors to their team, both in competition and away from it, providing leadership and exemplifying the goals of the team.

Orchard is a Canada-West Second Team All-Star and Academic All-Canadian. He serves on the student athletic council and promotes the Vikes and the men's volleyball program through clinics and camps.

"This award's really flattering," said Orchard, who received his trophy to a standing ovation. "It's nice to have our program recognized. We've been through so much this year: having our program cut was really disappointing. It's always nice to be recognized, but among this elite group, it's really special."

While the evening was bittersweet for the volleyball teams, as it was their last banquet as CIAU competitors, it was simply sweet for UVic's women's rowing team, which picked up two of the evening's major awards. Buffy Alexander, a second-year standout, was named Female Athlete of the year, and Kristen Wall, a graduating rower, won the President's Cup, an award given to a fourth or fifth-year athlete who combines scholastic achievement with athletic ability.

Wall is a fourth-year Biology/Environmental Studies student with a 6.56 GPA. She was one of three Vikes to be named Rowing Canada's Female Team of the Year, she was a member of the National Champion women's four at the Canadian Indoor Rowing Championships, and was a member of the Canadian Women's Rowing Team. As part of this team, Wall won gold in the eight and was third in the pair at the U.S. Nationals. At the Nations Cup in Milan, Italy, Wall stroked the Canadian Women's four to a bronze medal finish.

Alexander is following in her older teammate's path, with great national and international success, despite her age. In her first crack at the National team, she landed the stroke seat in the national team eight. On this team with Wall, Alexander won gold in the women's eight at U.S. Nationals and came second in the women's pair. Alexander went on with the team to a second place finish in the women's eight at the World Rowing Championships.

Alexander is the Vikes top-ranked rower on the water and stroked the Vikes to four strong performances at the Royal Canadian Henley, and she led Team B.C. to five victories at the Canada Cup. She was named to Rowing Canada's Female Crew of the Year with Wall.

On the men's side, swimmer Philip Weiss was named the male Outstanding Athlete of the Year, a great achievement given he is in his first season. Weiss represented Canada at the World Short Course Championships and was a finalist at the 1997 Pan Pacific Championships in Japan. At the Canada West Championships, he won three gold medals and repeated this haul at the CIAU Championships, winning three gold medals and a silver. He followed up this strong CIAU performance with one gold and two silvers at the Canadian Spring Nationals.

While the Outstanding Athlete awards recognize UVic athletes for both national and international competition, the University Sports Award is given to athletes for outstanding contributions during university competition. Because of the high level of achievement from many teams and athletes this year, two national champion Vikes shared the award: basketball's Lisa Koop and field hockey's Aoibhinn Grimes.

Koop, in her final year with the Vikes, led her team to a national championship three weeks ago in Thunder Bay and did very well on an individual level, as she was named Canada West MVP, Canada West First Team All-Star, and a CIAU First Team All-Canadian.

Grimes also led her team to a national title in November, and the fourth-year athlete was a Canada West Gail Wilson/Outstanding Contributor Award winner, Canada West First Team All-Star, CIAU First Team All-Canadian, and was named MVP of the National Championships.

In the rookie-of-the-year category, men's rugby player Dean Parchomchuk was awarded the Robert T. Wallace Shield. Parchomchuk, only 17, is a starter with the national-champion Vikes. He was selected to the Provincial and National under-19 teams, and is currently playing with Canada's under-18 team, with whom Parchomchuk will represent Canada at the under-18 World Championships in France next month.

The other awards presented Tuesday evening were the Provost's Award for Excellence, the Manager of the Year award, and the Martlet Athletic Award.

The Provost's Award, given to a returning athlete with the highest academic average, went to fourth-year swimmer Allison Barriscale, who has a GPA of 7.81 in Science.

The manager of the year was Tania Conforti from the men's soccer team, and Tanya Stogre, student-therapist for both the women's soccer and basketball teams, picked up the Martlet award for outstanding contribution in the areas of service, participation, and administration.

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The Vikes volleyball teams rallied around community support after it was announced earlier in the year that UVic would be discontinuing volleyall as a Level 1, or Varsity, sport on campus. Many player's ended their careers as Vikes at the Mar. 31 Athletics awards dinner.

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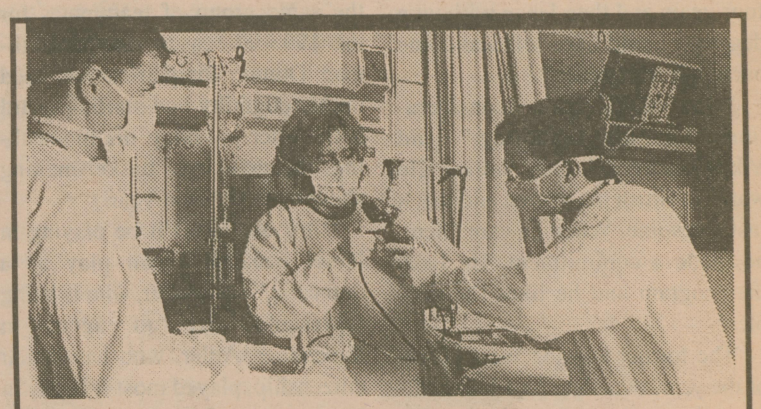

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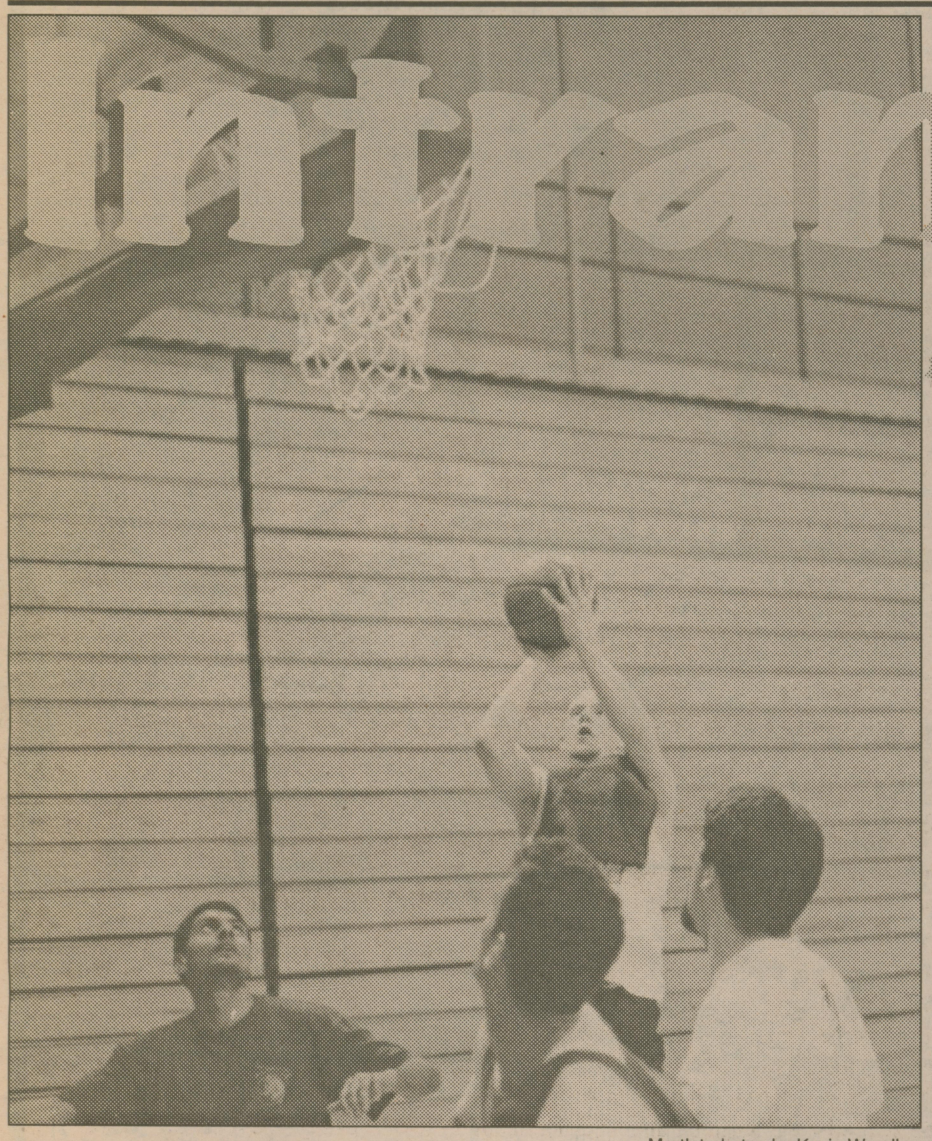

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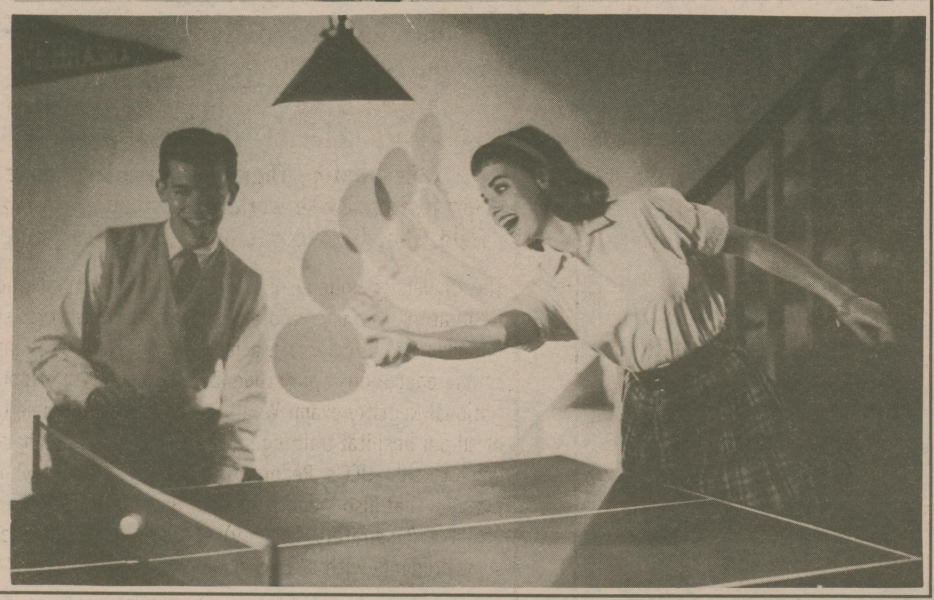

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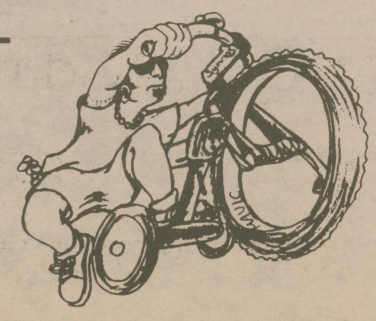

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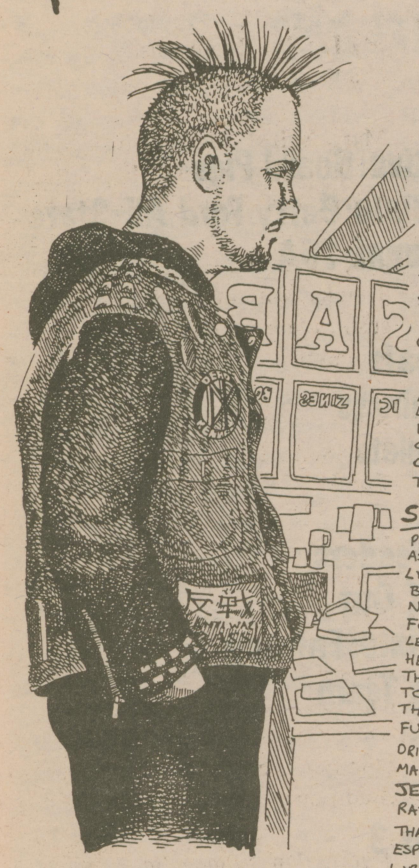

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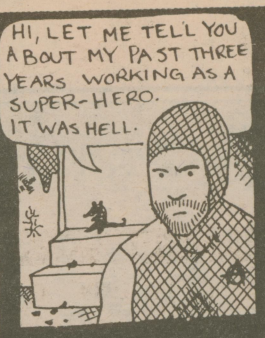

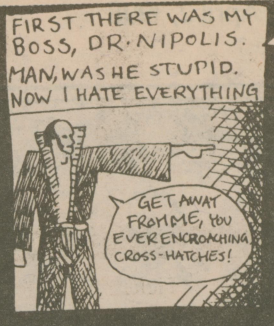
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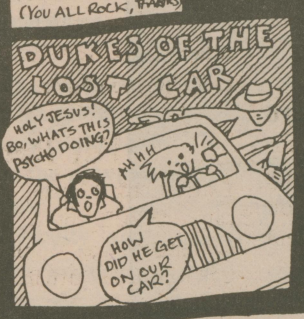

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-then shoof him in the face

the end.

SO I GUESS YOU ARE ALL CONFUSED. WELL THE NIPPLE FOUR ARE A TEAM OF FIVE SUPER HEROES. THEY LOOK NOTHING LIKE THIS...

THEY ALL LIVE IN THE N.F. H.Q. ON FLORA ISLAND. THEY JUST SIT THERE ALL DAY, DOING NOTHING. JUST WAITING FOR SOMETHING, ANYTHING, TO HAPPEN.

AND SINCE THIS IS THE SEASON FINALE-

IT'S GOT TO BE A CLIFF HANGER. PLOT OR NO PLOT. SEE YA ALL NEXT FALL! CB

THANK-U

to all the ass rippin artists who contributed this year. ♥ you're all so GODDAMN → SPECIAL. those who didn't get in... there's always summer, which i'll save yo comix 4.

BATEMAN – i threw up with laughter.

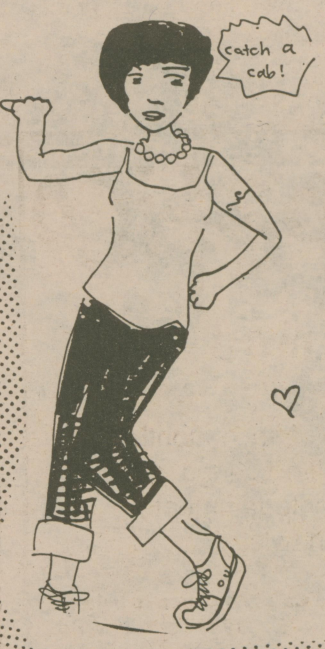
NICK – your comic increased our pick up by 1 million. i throw up a lung EVERY WEEK with laughter.

MARTLET JERKS – thanx for a great year.

HOT PANTS COLLEGE TWO! oh-yeh: Tania Willard. EVERY, FUCKIN' issue

girdle power! or: chinese girl in sea of whities) by Lyndsay

i don't understand how some people can't be overtly friendly, funny + nice then the next time i see 'em, they're all "snub"-ish + act like they don't know me? did i wear the wrong jacket? does my colour annoy them? are they homophobes? does a goofy chinese girl annoy/surprise some people? man, it bugs me when people come across as so nice, then you find out they're goddamn rude. i think saying "thank-you" + being polite carries a helluva lot of weight, esp. with me. it's not hard to say. + it should come naturally. man oh man, i hate it when my initial judgement is wrong, cause it's usually right. one thing about me: i'm nice, i think.



why's there gotta be mean people in this world? do ya take pride in making me feel stoopid? 4 gawd's sake. some people rip my ass apart. genuine people, kind people, sweet people, Funny people. others rip it so it can't be repaired. they stick thorns, dirty needles, bullets, rusty nails and broken glass right up my ass. man oh man. i'm just glad... i just gotta be me.

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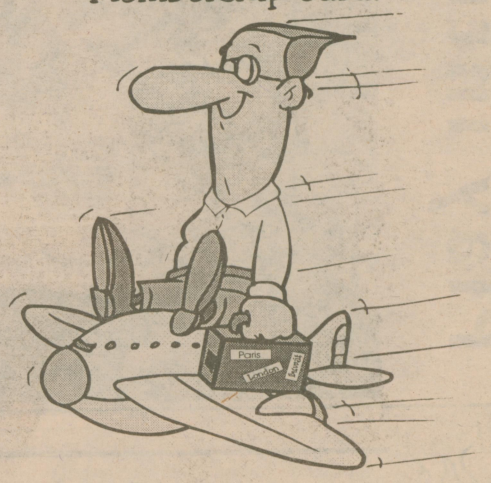

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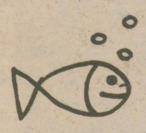

Healthy Sexuality: A conference on the promotion of healthy sexuality for people with developmental disabilities. Apr. 5, 6 & 7 in MacLaurin Bldg. For info contact the Victoria Assoc. for Community Living 477-7231 ext 36.

Notices

"The Chilean Student Movement After Pinochet" with Ms. Marisol Prado. Fri., Apr. 3 at Fernwood Community Assoc. @ 6 p.m. Admission by donation.

Tickets on sale now for the **1988 Women of Distinction Awards** on May 6. Tix $85 available at the YWCA or call 386-7511.

Queeries Publishing Board General Meeting and Elections for Editors in Chief (2), Managing Editor (1), and Production Coordinator (1). Tues., Apr. 14 @ 10:00 a.m. in SUB B028. Nominations close Mon. Apr. 6. For info call 472-4393 or drop by the LGBA Centre, SUB B118.

Society of Geography Students End of Term Bash Fri., Apr. 3 @ 5 p.m. at Caddies. Door prizes!

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Hey You!

This section is dedicated to all of the egotistical, self-indulgentt Martleteers who think this stuff is actually worth printing and that anybody actually gives a damn. Here's to us!

DEAR JOHN: **get a divorce.** Marina Joy.

js-are we still dating? we need a new day. don't tell mary.

Hilton! Ha Ha You Lose!

Hey Marie! Check out http://gulf.uvic.ca/~dhowells. Just for you! Love Mary.

Tyn-dale Howse: Baauuuw!

An Ode to Shelly! Where are you? The last I heard you were listening to "Don't you forget about me..." and you left without a good-bye or a beer! Know you're missed. G.

Hey Kevin, can I borrow an egg? A cup of sugar? A six-pack?

Andrea, you're a bad influence on Peter and Anders and yourself.

Congratulations to Kari and Steve! First comes love, then comes marriage, then comes... Be well and happy!!

MELISSA! Thanks for your help, and those giggles! Geri

Mary Vallis! Mary Vallis! Mary Vallis! Mary Vallis! Mary Vallis! Mary Vallis! Mary Val

Jill, Princess of Shepherds! Thanks for the help, support, sushi, coffee, sofa, squeege hugs and all that.

Kevin, you fucking amaze me. Take some time off and get some sleep!

DANGERBOY SAY: he's jus t about done school for the year and ready to kick it. You in?

I'm scared of karaoke. We're talking more than just a phobia. . .

Summer & Sara: reunion chez the Grad Lounge?

If yer talkin' to me, I'm definitely in for dancin,g **Dangerboy.**

Geri is so coooool! Who's going to do Billboards when she's gone?

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1. PIN must be numeric (leading zeros allowed)
2. PIN must contain a minimum of 4 digits
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5. PIN cannot be a simple sequence of consecutive digits
6. PIN cannot be the same as your **birth date**
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Listen carefully to the speech after accessing the Telephone Registration which will guide you to create your PIN, as well as, other relevant transactions. If you have any questions concerning the instructions/information for PIN, contact Records Services (250) 721-8142 during office hours Monday - Friday, 8:30am - 4:30pm (Pacific Time)

PIN and Telephone Registration Winter Session '98/99

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